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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

DIARY AND CONSULTATION BOOK

(VOLUME No. 21)

OF

1694.

[*From February* 1 *to December* 31, 1694.]

———*FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY* 169$\frac{3}{4}$———

[The Consultation and Diary Book of the Honble. Nathll. Higginson Esqre. President and Governor &ca. Councill theire Proceedings and Transactions for affaires of the Rt. Honble. English East India Company in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell &ca. Begun February the 1st 1693-4.

Att a Consultation — Thursday 1.

Present

The Honble Nathll Higginson Esqr Presidt. & Govr
John Dolben Esqr Judge Advocate
Mr William Fraser.

Capt. John Wilson appointed Commander of ship Samuel.

Captain Wm. Freeke Commandr. of shipp Samuel haveing lain tenn dayes sicke of a bloody flux dyed last night and was this morning buried, before his death he sent a paper to the President (Coppy where of is entered next after this Consultation) wherein he appoints John Wilson to succeed in the command of the shipp by vertue of his owners orders, and haveing noe objection against the cappacity or behavour of the said Wilson, it is resolved to proceed in the ladeing and dispatching of the shipp as directed in the Consultation of the 29 past, and that, according to Capt. Freekes request, the said Wilson being sp[ared] from the shoare an acceptable Person to supply the Place of cheife Mate.

Mr. Wilson being sent for and before us accepting and undertakeing the Command of the shipp, he was ordered to dispatch the ladeing and to look out for a cheife Mate being encouraged by the good character Capt. Freeke has given of his ability and others of his Family and his owne confidence in the shippes Companyes satisfaction with his succession.

Nathll : Higginson.
Jon : Dolben.
William Fraser.

Capt. Freekes Paper mentioned in this Consultation to be entered next after this, was entered in the last Booke of Consultations. 1.

This morning Capt. Freeke was buried.

Delivered Passes to boates Lacksume, Narsume and the Vincatees bound to Tompatteree. 2.

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3. Att 11 a clock this morning shipps Royall James and Mary Capt. Robert Buck Commander and the Princess Ann of Denmark, Capt. John Bluett Commander, came to an anchor in this roade, the Capt. of the first and Purser of the latter came ashoare and brought theire 2 Packetts directed to his Excellency the Commissary Generall President and Councill.]

SATTERDAY 3D

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Packetts by the Royall James and Mary and Princess Anne of Denmarke were opened and found to contain as ℘ list Vizt.

ROYALL JAMES AND MARY VIZT.

1. Comps Generall to the Fort dated 10th April 1693.
2. Invoice of the Royall James and Mary.
3. Bills of Ladeing of Ditto Ship.
4. List of Factors and writers for ye Coast & Bay.
5. Abstract of the Invoices of the Royall James and Mary, Princess Anne of Denmarke and Hawke for the Bay.
6. A private packett directed to the Generall Sr John Goldsborough in a Box apart.

PRINCESSE ANNE OF DENMARKE VIZT.

1. Comps Generall to the Fort dated 10th April 1693.
2. Invoice [of] Ship Princesse [Anne of] Denmarke.
3. Bill of Ladeing of Ditto Ship.
4. Comission under the Comps Larger Seale for Constituteing Sr John Goldsborough Generall of India in ye box apart.
5. Abstract of ye Invoices of ye Royall James & Mary, Princesse [Ann of Denmark] and Hawke for the Bay.
6. Two Indentures of Covenants for Mr John Henchman and William Vandenanchor to be Factors, with their Bonds for ℘formance of Covenants, which being Sign'd & Sealed are to be returned.

Genll lres ℘ Ship Royall James & Mary &ca for Bengall opened.

The Generall letters from the Rt Honble Compa Dated the 10th Aprill 1693 were read wch giveing us notice of these Ships being Consigned for Bengall, and that they both bring goods for Bengall and this place, and the Ships hapning to arrive first here, and haveing noe Charterparty in the Pacquets directed to Fort St George, it was thought convenient to open the Pacquetts directed to the Agent and Council in Bengall, as well to understand the terms of their Charterparty as the orders which the Rt Honble Company have given for the disposeall of them and their Cargoe. It being allso rendered further necessary by ye Death of the late Agent Charnock and since of the Commissary Generall.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

4. Ship Armenian Merchant Capt. Tho: Newnam Commander arrived in this Road. This nor the other two ships have not mett with the Hawke since they parted about six months agoe.

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ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 5.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOOATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Packett by the Armenian Mercht: opened.

The packett by the Armenian Merchant opened and found to contain according to list from No 1 to 10. Allso another Small packett cont a copy of the Rt Honble Compas Generall Letter to Bengall dated 28th April 1693 which was recd with a letter of attourney from the Owners of Ship Royall James. Also a Generall letter from Sr John Gayre dated 1 September 1693.

Thomas Gibson ordered Gunne mate of ye outworks.

Thomas Gibson is ordered Gunners mate of the outworkes, and John Dubois entertain'd one of the Gun Room crew.

Warehous keepr orderd to unlade wt Goods deliverable here from the Ships Royall James & Mary Princess & Armenian Mercht.

The Warehouskeeper is ordered to unlade all the Goods from aboard Ships Royall James & Mary, Princesse Anne of Denmark and Armenian Merchant, deliverable by Bill of Ladeing here first causing the Royall James and Mary to be unladen, because it yet appears most probable that shee will bee first dispatched for Bengall. But the consideration of that and disposeall of the other Ships, and the Bengall Stocke is referred to next Consultation, being matter of great import. The Bills of Ladeing & Invoices of Ditto Ships were delivered to the Accomptant and warehousekeeper.

Consideration of the Bengall Stocke refered to next consultation.

Presidt read his accot Cash.

The President read his accot of the Rt Honble Compas Cash for the moneth of January last the Balance being Pags 3644 : 27 : 1.

Pags 2000 pd the Merchts.

Ordered that Pags 2000 be paid to the Merchants in further part of the last Contract, it being necessary for their carrying on their Contracts with the weavours in ye Countrey, and a proposeall made to them for their buying all the Lead, Broadcloth, Cloth Rashes, and Perpetuanoes now brought by these Ships.

Mohomd Yousurph's bill orderd to be paid.

Mahomod Yousurph produceing an order of the Court of Admiralty dated ye 31 of January last, for Pagds : 89 : 3 due to him from Allea Vaudee, it is ordered that the same bee paid.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Delivered a Passe to Sloop John and Betty bound to Moldaveis and Acheen. Allso Passes to Boats Goulamaley, Tarrimussula, and Lackshame Narrasinhoodo bound to Tompatterree. 5.

Recd a genll lre from Fort St David dated 2 Inst. wth their Consultation Booke commencing 22d May 169[3] ending 29th December ditto. Allso their accot cash and an accot of what Stores &ca expended on Ship Madapollam. 6.

Dispatcht a genll lre to Fort St David of ys days date. 6.

ATT A CONSULTATION — WEDNESDAY 7.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Pags 500 to be pd Mr Wright.

Ordered that Pagds five hundred be paid Mr Thomas Wright Provll Paymr for defraying charges Garrison.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

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THURSDAY 8

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Two men dischargd from the gun room.

Henry Walton and Thomas Arrundell [are] discharged from the gun room Crew att the request of Capt Willson, for the Service of Ship Samuell to which they formerly belonged.

part of the Genll to the Rt [Honble] Comp : read. Genlls Commission Orderd to be published.

Generall letter to the Rt Honble Company of this date to Paragraph the 20th Read & approv'd. Allso the Rt Honble Compas Commission dated the 10th April 1693 constituteing Sr John Goldsborough Generall of India, and Sr John Gaire his Successor, was perused, and that clause relateing to the authority of ye Presidt in the absence of the Generall discoursed and it is ordered that the Said Commission bee Published on Saturday next the 10th Inst.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

9. Gave a Passe to Boat Haunamonte, bound to Tompatterree.

Ship Northampton arriv'd from Fort St David upon wch : Ship came Dr Blackwall.

FRIDAY 9.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Dr Blackwall delivers a narrative.

Dr Blackwall confined to the Fort.

The Generall letters from Mr Hatsell & from him and Councill dated 7 Instant ℘ Ship Northampton being perused, with ye enclosed Paper of the examination of Doctor Blackwalls servants and also one letter from Doctor Blackwall to his wife, which gives an accot of his haveing received a Phirmaund for Porto Novo, whereof hee and his heirs are to bee Governours, where hee is to maintain one or two hundred horse, and as many Europeans as hee can gett. Doctor Blackwall being sent for and examined, hee confessed it, and delivered in a narrative of his Transactions with the Nabob and Arsemanague, but do's utterly disown any designe relateing to Fort St David or Cuddaloor, and alledgeth in his own Justification, that after hee was acquainted that Mr Hatsell &ca had seized his papers, hee notwithstanding came to them, as hee intended, to disclose the whole matter, and have their approbation before hee did engage in it. But it being a matter of dangerous consequen[ce] requires further enquirey and consideration. In the meantime Doctor Blackwall is comitted to the charge of the Lievtenant of the Guard, to bee kept in a chamber in the Fort under a Centinell and none to Speake with him till further Order.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

MONDAY 12TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The disposeall of the Europe Ships discours'd and deferred comeing to a resolution till to morrow.

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Ordered that Ship Armenian Merchant bee dispatch'd as soon as may bee to Fort St David to lye in that Road for countenance and assistance, as occasion requires, while the Army lyes near them, or till further Order, and the Warehouse-keeper is ordered to cause ye following goods and stores to bee laden abord her for Fort St David Vizt.

Armenian Mercht ordered for Fort St David.

Broad cloth Ordry red	bales	15	
Poppyes		05	
Aurora		01	
Cloth Rashes		05	
Perpetuanoes long Ells No 20		05	
Scarlett Chudlies		01	
Bowdies		01	
		—	Bales: 33
Lead	Candy	40	
Scarlett	ps	01	
Goa Arrac	Butt	01	
Bengall Arrac	Butts	01	
Wheat	Baggs	20	
Biskett	Baggs	12	
Cheese	Caske	01	
Bengall Butter Jarrs or dupp		10	
Vinegar		0	
Salt Porke	Caske	10	
Standard		01	
Gunners Stores &ca as ℘ List.			

Ordered that to the Invoice of the foregoeing be added Rope, Twine and gunnyes formerly sent them and two brass Rabonetts taken by them out of the Madapollam pz 7 : 1 : 23 (cwt. qr. lb.) at 5 fans ℘ lb and that Fort St David have Credit in our bookes [for and] by Ship Madapollam for Pags 371 : 35 : 3 expended by them for her repair and wages, as ℘ accot Sent us with ye generall lre dat. the 3 February.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Generall letter to Fort St David of this days date.

ATT A CONSULTATION — TUESDAY 13.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Haveing frequently discoursed of ye disposeall of the Four Ships and their Stock now Sent out, the result of our debates is a followeth Vizt.

1. By the Rt Honble Compas generall letters to ye Fort and Bay it does appear that when these four Ships were designed for India, It was intended that they should be all dispatcht from India by the 20th of January last, and the Orders were accordingly calculated.

2. That upon the Supposition of a great quick Stocke lyeing in Fort St George, there is consign'd to this place no treasure and but Eighteen thousand Pound in goods & Stores.

3. The Rt Honble Company have therefore ordered the greater Stocke to the Bay, and three Ships to bee laden from thence.

4. But by reason of the Ships long Passage they d[id] not arrive in India till the 3d February 169$\frac{3}{4}$ and instead of haveing a large Stocke here, wee are indebted Pags 18000 for money borrowed, besides 20000 Pags due on Contracts made, so that the reasons on which the Rt Honble Comps orders were grounded, are quite altered & different from what they were supposed.

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5. It therefore follows that Since their Orders cannot be put in execution according as they are prescribed: it is to bee considered how the Ships and Stocke may be disposed of so as to answer the maine end of their being sent out Viz^t the Factories of Fort S^t George, Fort S^t David and Vizagapatam, Yorke Fort and it's Appendices are not onely to bee maintained, but there must be some Investments made in each so as to answer their charge & Support their reputation, all which must be provided for out of this Stocke.

6. The Stocke consigned to the Bay is not sufficient of it's selfe to lade three Ships from thence, they haveing little Stocke left there, and wee know of noe great permissive Stocke to make it up, much lesse will it be sufficient if any part of that Stocke be applyed to y^e Coast.

1. Upon the foregoeing Considerations it is resolved that the Stocke absolutely necessary for this Coast and the West Coast is at least £45000 to discharge our debts, finish the begun contracts and defray the charges, and carry on small Investments in the ensueing Year Viz^t.

		£ s. d.
Fort S^t George	... ...	20000 : 0 : 0
Fort S^t David	.. ..	10000 : 0 : 0
Vizagapatam ...	... ...	10000 : 0 : 0
West Coast ...	... .	5000 : 0 : 0
	Total ...	45000 : 0 : 0

But the Stocke consigned to Fort S^t George by all the four Ships doth amount to about Eighteen thousand pound, the rest is to bee supplyed out of the Silver of one of the largest Ships.

2. That one of the great Ships (Viz^t) the Princesse Anne of Denmarke, who's Bengall Stocke amo^ts to Seaven thousand pounds more than the Royall James [and Mary] and the Silver is 31 Chests of Dollers, and the rest of fine Silver. The Silver by the Royall James is but 20 chests dollers and the rest Ingotts and most of it course be dispatched to Bengall with her intire Bengall Cargoe, Soe soone as the goods for this place be unladen and that the Royall James and Mary doe continue here, till farther advice from Bengall.

3. That one of the two great Ships w^th: y^e Hawke bee laden and dispatcht for England directly from Bengall, the other large Ship to be sent hither in August or September next Kentilaged with Saltpetre & as many Bengall bales as they can spare from the other two Ships and filled up with provisions, and here laden and dispatch't for England in October next, by w^ch: means much Demorage will bee saved.

4. The Armenian Merchant bee lett on a voyage to China, if within twenty days any adventurers will make proposealls. But if the China Voyage doe not goe on, then to Kentilage her with Saltpetre and Redwood, and two or three hundred bales, and sent to the West Coast to be filled up with Pepper for England. Our reasons for Said China Voyage are Viz^t.

(1) By that means the Ships Demorage will bee answered.

(2) Wee Shall have the more bales in Readiness for dispatch of a great Ship from hence in Oct^br.

(3) Wee shall have a Ship to send home from hence in February next.

5. This is grounded upon a Supposition of the Hawkes arriveall in Bengall, but in case of her miscarrying (which God forbid) then both the great Ships to bee laden from Bengall, or one of them may call here to fill up in December.

6. If the Armenian Merchant proceed on y^e China Voyage, then the Royall James & Mary to goe to the West Coast, and take in what Pepper ready or procureable by the 25^th of June next, and proceed therewith to Bengall.

Ordered that a Bill bee forthwith sett upon the Sea gate Viz^t: Ship Armenian Merchant burthen about 250 Tonn Cap^t: Thom^s: Newman [Newnam?] Commander, is design'd by the Presid^t: & Councill to be sent in May next on a

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Voyage to China if within twenty days Subscriptions are made with the Secretary for a Stocke amounting to Pagds: 30000 or if any persons are enclined to take the said Ship on Freight for Said Voyage, they are desired to bring in their proposealls by the 25th Instant to the President and Councill.

Doctor Blackwall haveing Sent the Presidt a paper on ye 11th and another on ye 12th Instant by the former declareing his entring into and concluding a Treaty with the Nabob & Arsemanague for the Government of Porto Novo to him and his heirs, under Arsemanague and by the latter owning that hee has entred into an obligation for the payment of 100000 Pags: to the Mogull att certain times and conditions, and desires to be sett att liberty, that hee may goe to ye Camp and discharge himselfe from these Engagements: and wee should very readily consent to his proposeall, were there any reason to believe yt hee could doe it, or had any Security that hee would not when att liberty proceed in his Goverment, the notion of which seem's to have possessed his brain, that hee appears to us to bee distemper'd. It is Resolved therefore, that hee bee for the present detained in close confinement in the Fort, till there shall appear reason for his releasment, or for Sending him to England (for which the Samuel is not a fitting Ship).

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Delivered Passes to boates Lackshume Narrasimhoodo & Cheetaw Ramoondo Bound to Tompatterre. 14TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 15TH

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Lasscarrs return'd from England produceing to us two Orders of the Court of Committees (entred after this Consultation) dated 29th March 1693 for paying wages to eight return'd by Ship Princesse Anne of Denmarke, and six by Ship Royall James and Mary, according to agreemt: made at their goeing aboard Ships Princesse & Defence for England which agreement do's not appear but is affirmed by them to be five Pagods a moneth to the Serango, and two Pags: a moneth to the Lasscarrs which agrees with ye accustomary rates of wages [given] in the Country Shipping and [Mr] Wright the Paymaster haveing been directed to make up the accot: accordingly, deducting their Impress in England which is now produced and approved and the Ballance ordered to be paid there being for all Pagds 418: 19¾ and the Bookekeeper is ordered to charge the same to accot Currt London.

Mr Brideoke, Mr Thomas Yale and Mr Havil and Cuthbe[rt] requesting leave to take their Passage on Ship Samuel for England, the same is granted them.

Mr Jethro Brideoke and Mr Thoms Yale requi[ring] their salary, It is ordered that the Bookekeepr ma[ke] up the accot thereof, and that the same be paid.

Capt: Willson Commander of Ship Samll: requesting by a Paper which is entred next after this Consultation, to be supplyed with two hundred Pagds: for the Said Ship on Char[ter]party termes. It is ordered that the same bee paid him, and advice given thereof to the Rt Honble Company in our Generall letter.

Mr Wright is Ordered to muster the Ship Princesse Anne of Denmarks men to day, & the Royall James and Mary's to morrow.

Ordered that Pagds: 1591 be paid to Mr Thoms Wright Provll: Paymr for Charges Garrison &ca.

Att the request of Mr John Pitt ye account[tant] is ordered to state the accot of Salary payable in England, by the Fort St: George Generall book to Mr Thomas

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Wavell, Mr Henry Alford, and Mr Benjamin Northey decd. there appearing nothing by the Generall bookes due from either of them to the Rt Honble Company and allso to State the accot. [of] Lead received by Ship Samuel.

Mr John Pitt paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags: 72 : 3 : 2 for 10½ Piggs of Lead wanting of 347 Piggs owned by Capt Freke to have been Laden on board Ship Samuel by the Rt Honble: Compa in England which should weigh by computation Candyes 6 : 11mds : 2lb.

Jango &ca Beetle Farmers Paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags : 250 and Mr Matthew Mildmay Pags : 682 for accot : Allea Vaudee and Pags : 279 on account Land Customes.

Ordered that Seventy Tons of Redwood bee laden on board the Princesse Anne of Denmarke, and allso on board the Royall James and Mary besides their Charterparty proportion, to bee delivered to the Agent and Councill in Bengall.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

TO THE HONBLE : NATHLL : HIGGINSON
ESQR : PRESIDENT &CA COUNCILL.

May it please Yor Honr : &ca

The Ship Samuel being now upon her dispatch for England and wanting money to defray charges, doe request that Your Honr : &ca will please to supply my wants according to the Terms of Charterparty with 200 Pags.

Yor : Honr : &ca : Most Humble : Servant
JOHN WILLSON.

Fort St : George
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ATT A COURT OF COMMITTEES HOLDEN YE 29TH MARCH 1693.

Whereas Pulsetty Serang and the five Lasscarrs undernamed were hired on board the ship Defence at Madraspatam in the East Indies for Sailing her for England, and have been paid their Wages by Capt Heath unto the 4th of September 1692. And ye Court of Committees haveing Ordered them to take their Passage on the Royall James and Mary, whereof Capt Robert Buck is Commander, It is ordered yt the Generall President and Councill of Fort St George doe make payment of what wages shall bee due unto the Said Serang and the Five Lasscarrs from the Said fourth day of September 1692 unto the time of their arriveall at Madrasspatnam aforesaid, according to the agreement made with them, at the time of their goeing on board the Said Ship Defence, deducting Fifteen pounds from the Serang, and Four Pounds from each Lasscarr paid here.

ROBERT BLACKBORNE Secry.

Pulsetty Serang.
Muggana.
Fuckera.
Haddue.
Emmom.
Putton.

ATT A COURT OF COMMITTEES HOLDEN THE 29TH MARCH 1693.

Whereas Mahmood Hussan Serang and the seaven Lasscars undernamed were hired on board the Ship Princess Anne of Denmarke at the Bay of Bengall in the East Indies for Sailing her for England and have been paid their wages to the 17th day of February 169½. And ye Court of Committees haveing ordered them to take their passage on the Said Ship where of Capt Edmund Wright is Comandr. It is ordered that Job Charnock Esqr and the Councill in the Bay of Bengall doe make

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payment of what Wages shall be due unto the Said Serang and Seaven Lasscarrs from the said 17th day of February 169½ unto the time of their arrivall in the Bay of Bengall afores[d] according to the agreement that was made with them at the time of their goeing on board the Said Ship Princess Anne of Denmarke deducting 15 £ paid the Serang, and 4 £ to each of the Lasscars paid them here.

Mahmod Hussan Serang. Horsanjee. Basseree. Nurjee. Alljar. Sucker Mahmod. Antonia. Candia.

ROBERT BLACKBORNE Secry.

Generall Letter to the Rt Honble Company dated the 8 February Read and Signed. 15TH

Delivered Capt Thomas Newnam Commander of Ship Armenian Merchant his dispatch for Fort St David and the Generall letter dated, upon whom went two of the Rt Honble Comps Servants and an Ensigne and twenty Souldiers. 16TH

Delivered Capt John Willson Commander of ship Samuel his dispatch wth the Pacquet for the Rt Honble Company, and the bagg of private letters. 17

A large Ship appearing in the morning at anchor to the Northward a Cattemaran was Sent off and brought a letter from Capt Bromwell Commander of Ship Sampson dated this day.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDRY — SATERDAY 17TH

Present

THE HONBLE : NATHLL : HIGGINSON ESQR : PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR : JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Generall letter from Capt Bromwell adviseing that hee came the 20th past from Bengall to fill up here (wanting 500 bales) and requesting to gett Redwood and water ready for him, Mr Hinchman was ordered to goe aboard and fetch the Packett, and Mr Wright was sent for and ordered to gett ye water ready to send aboard the Ship as soon as shee came into the Road and the warehouskeepr was ordered to gett 34 Tons ½ Redwood ready weighed and cutt, and to hasten the Embaleing of the cloth ready wash't with all expedition, and to embale the rest of the Long cloth and Salampores brown. The Cheif Merchants were allso Sent for and ordered to gett ready all the cloth for embaleing wash't and brown in a weekes time, and they declareing to us that they have in Longcloth Salampores and Betteelas about 35 bales delivered into Fort St David Factory for their account. It is agreed that they deliver Said cloth to Mr Hatsell &ca Councill, who are ordered to Send it hither by the first oppertunity on the Merchants Accot and in the meantime to sort it there by their musters Vizt Soe much as is fitt for embaleing brown, and the Merchants are to give their orders accordingly to their Factors att Fort St David.

A generall letter to Fort St David in persuance of this resolve approved and signed, and sent away by land. A Duplicate by the Armenian Mercht still in sight.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Dispatch't a generall letter to Fort St David of this days date. 17TH

Received a Generall letter from Fort St David dated the 13th Instant wth Severall other Papers. 18TH

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MONDAY 19TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE: NATH^LL: HIGGINSON ESQ^R: PRESID^T: & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R: JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

The late President Yale sending a Paper Yesterday to the President dated February 169¾ w^ch being Read is Ordered to bee entered in the coppy booke of letters, and the answer thereunto dat this day.

Robert Turlington is ordered Master of Ship Madapollam, and to take charge of her forthwith, and the Paymaster is ordered to see her fitted with all things necessary in order to her Voyage to the West Coast.

The Generall letter from Bengall to Fort S^t George dated the 13^th past being read, it is noted, that the Ship Charles the Second will bee dispatched from thence full and Richly Laden & y^e Sampson is Sent hither to fill up, because the Govern^r of Hughly had put a stop upon their goods & coining and the Dacca and Maulda goods not come down So that wee may reasonably expect they will have a considerable number of bales ready to put aboard the Princesse [Anne of Denmark] as soon as Shee Shall arive, they haveing formerly written that they had Secured goods enough to lade the Charles the Second and Sampson, and three or four hundred bales over, So that by that acco^t they may have a thousand bales ready and that y^e Gov^r of Hughly has Since taken off the Stop on goods. It is therefore ordered that the Princesse Anne of Denmarke be dispatched forthwith to Bengall, with her whole Bengall cargo, and that the treasure of the Royall James and Mary be traversed on board y^e Princesse Anne of Denmarke.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

19 Generall letter to the R^t Hon^ble Company of this days date read and Sign'd adviseing Cap^t Bromwells arriveall here from Bengall to fill up.

TUESDAY 20TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOVERN^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

The Warehouskeeper is ordered to traverse from Ship Royall James and Mary to Princesse Anne of Denmarke fourteen Chests of Silver from N° 184 to 197 for Bengall and to unlade the rest of treasure being twenty six Chests from Ship Royall James and Mary, weighing the chests of Ingotts and weighing and telling the chests of Dollers received ashoare and that an acco^t of the Invoice amount of said twenty six chests bee drawn out and Remitted to Bengall, adding the Freight of Armenian goods received here, and that taken from the Bengall Invoice of y^e Princesse Anne of Denmarke, for which the Agencey of Bengall is to have Creditt.

The amo^t of the Said 26 Chests of treasure is Viz^t.

	£	s.	d.
Twenty chest of Dollers N° 158 to 170, 175 to 178, 204, 205, 206 ...	21,000	0	0
Six chest of Ingotts No. 198 to 203 ...	5,140	1	2
	26,140	1	2
Freight &c^a of Armenian goods by the Royall James and Mary ...	36	13	4
	26,176	14	6

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	£ s. d.	
Freight of Armenian goods ℘ the Princesse Anne of Denmarke ...	122 : 8 : 0	
One bale N° A. Scarlet Broad cloth q^t 6 p^s y^ds 133 : 2 : at 27^s ℘ Yard is	180 : 4 : 6	
		302 : 12 : 6
		26,479 : 7 : 0

The warehouskeeper is ordered to cause 50 tons of Redwood to bee cutt into the useall lenghts, that it may bee ready for the better dispatch of the Sampsons Ladeing in case wee cannot fill her up with bales, and if by cutting it there shall happen any losse in the weight, the same is to bee allowed him in account.

Arsemonague haveing received a grant from Zulphaker Cawn for about three hundred thousand Pago^ds Jaggeer in the Cornatta conquerd countrey, which includes Maarb Cawn Maoca's Jaggeer of which the towns of Yegmore and Persiwacca were part before they were graunted to the R^t Hon^ble Company by Assid Cawn's Perwanna, hee has formerly given orders to Ramras his Cheif Servant in these parts, and under him Apogee Puntulo, and Mahom^d Jaffer to take possession thereof, and accordingly Apogee Puntulo did demand it, but wee wrote letters to Zulphaker Cawn and Arsemonague concerning it. Zulphaker Cawn answers that when hee returns from his Journey hee will either graunt these towns or better. Arsemonague writes that these townes are graunted to him, and therefore must bee delivered him, and hath allso Sent orders to his servants Apogee Puntulo and Mahomod Jaffer to take possession by Force, of which being advised, wee sent thirty Souldiers thither under Ensigne Del gardner to keep possession, whereupon it is reported that they intend to gather greater forces from the adjacent parts, haveing sent for Emaun Cooley now in town and adviseing w^th him, the cheif Dubash Mulla and Braminy. It is considered that the Nabob and Arsemonague are with their army now very nigh to Cuddaloor, and if there should happen any act of hostility between our Souldiers and their People upon this occasion they will imediatly advise thereof to the Camp w^th all imaginable aggravations, which possibly may provoke Arsemonague to draw the Army towards Cuddaloor. It is therefore resolved as well for prevention of that mischeif, as to keep Peace here with Arsemonagues officers, who govern the countrey all round us, and can when they will put a stop to all our buisinesse and trade of the place, to take the following method by the advice of Emaun Cooley Cheif Dubash &c^a Viz^t to write to Zulphaker Cawn putting him in mind of his fathers graunt obtain'd by his own procureing, and to Wottamunchund the cheif writer, to whom a present of about two hundred Pag^s to bee sent, hee haveing been disgusted by the small present sent him formerly, which hee refused. But our main [design and] dependance by Emaun Cooleys ℘ticular direction is on Meer Mauhada the Buxee, to whom a letter to bee written promiseing him one thousand rup^s when hee shall have obtained an effectuall order from the Nabob for our quiet Possession of these townes.

The warehouskeeper is ordered to lade on board the Princesse Anne of Denmarke, to bee delivered att Vizagapatam to the Cheif and Councill there Viz^t.

Broadcloth ord^ry red and green	Bales	15
Aurora	„	1
Cloth Rashes red and green	„	5
Perpetuanoes ordinary	„	5
Chidleys	„	1
Bowdies	„	1
	„	28

Cheese one caske.

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Rupees 10000 if procureable in Rup^s & 3000 in Pag^s.

A Generall letter to His Excellency S^r John Gayre, Generall att Surratt, dated the 16^th and 20^th Inst approved and signed, to bee sent this evening by Pattamars, with the severall papers as by list entred in the copy booke of letters.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

20 Ship Samuel sailed for England.

Ship Bonaventura Cutchatore Nocqueda arrived in this road from Bengall.

21 Ship Northampton, Richard Phrip* Master sailed for Fort S^t David by whome sent a generall of this days date.

Sloop Thomas and Sarah* John Cockcroft Mas^r arrived from Ganjam and Ship Patterram Alleausconda Nocqueda from Bengall. Ship S^ta Demonte John Carrown Master from Pegue. Ship Gospersait Sheack Jehore nocqueda from Bengall, and Tarrakooly Skipper Mich[el] Master from Acheen came all into the road this day.

THURSDAY 22D

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOVERN^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

Generall letter to Bengall dated this day Read and Signed.

The account of the Lasscarrs returned ℘ Princess and Royall James and Mary their wages being made up formerly by y^e Paymast^r for the Bengall Lasscarrs att the rate of two pag^s ℘ month, and they alledgeing their contract was ten Rupees ℘ month, the Same is adjusted with them at the rate of Rupees Eight ℘ month, and the account computed accordingly amo^t in the whole to Pag^s 468 : 34 : 3 which y^e Paymast^r is ordered to pay, and take their discharge in full of all demands.

Hans Holseman and Frederick Shoulder Dutchmen are discharged from the Garrison.

Henry Cormell who came out a Souldier upon Ship Royall James and Mary, is at his brothers request discharged, paying 56 p^as into the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Cash.

The President payes into the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Cash Pag^s 1250 and Rupees 10000 amount to Pag^s 2782 : 32 : 4 in all pag^s 4032 : 32 : 4 being for the present Supply of Vizagapatam for w^ch tis ordered that bills bee given him payable in three months att 9 ℘ Cent Interest ℘ anñ and Pag^s 755 payable on demand.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

22 Ship Jerusalem belonging to the Armenians arrived from Bengall.

FRIDAY 23

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

The late President Yale haveing Sent a note to us desireing our order to the Commander of y^e Sampson to receive him on board, and the Judge declareing that

* 'Phipp' and 'Mary' in the India Office copy.

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there is allready attached and secured goods of Sufficient Value to answ^{r} all the actions that are now depending in the Court between him and the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company. It is Resolved that the Said order bee Signed and Sent him as entred next after this Consultation.

M^{rs} Holcombe desireing liberty to goe upon Ship Princess Anne [of Denmark] to Vizagapatam, with her children, her husband haveing been & continuing Sicke and M^{rs} Hampton desireing the like liberty for her Passage to her husband in Bengall. It is granted.

Cap^{t} Bromwell delivered a paper dated this day, coppy whereof is entred after this Consultation whereunto answer was given him, that the Indemnifying the owners, and allowance of demorage as hee desires cannot bee done by us but must bee wholey referred to the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TO CAP^{T} JOHN BROMWELL COMÃND^{R} OF SHIP SAMPSON.

Receive on Board Ship Sampson Elihu Yale Esq^{r} late President with his necessaries as a Passenger for England, affording him the accommodation of the great Cabbin, he paying Eight pound for Sea provisions dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 23^{d} day of February 169$\frac{3}{4}$.

NATH^{LL}: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRASER.

TO THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON PRESIDENT &^{CA} COUNCILL.

Yo^{r} Hon^{r} &c^{a} Councill are sensible that our Ship Sampsons Charterparty wth the Hon^{ble} East India Company for her stay in India was expired before my departure from Bengall before which I gave the Worp^{ll} Agent & Council timely notice thereof, to provide a seasonable & Sufficient ladeing which they haveing not goods for, I might according to my Charterpartys obligation have Sailed thence for England, but considering the great want of Tonnage, abo[ve] two hundred Tons, would bee a great losse and disapointment to the Hon^{ble} Company. I was therefore prevailed with by the Agent and Councill to come hither to compleat her ladeing. But here not being Sufficient bales without so much longer a stay as may hazard my passage home for England, which will be a great Charge and losse to my owners. But being both willing and desireous to be as serviceable to the Hon^{ble} Company as possible, I shall still follow your orders, provided your Hon^{r} & Councill will give mee a writeing as useall, to Indemnifie my owners and mee from all prejudices of Charterparty in that case, and oblige the Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} to pay the owners full Demorage for the Said Ship for such time as shee shall spend longer in her Voyage to England then useall, which all can be desired or expected from Yo^{r} Hon^{r} &c^{a} Councill by

Fort S^{t} George
February 23, 169$\frac{3}{4}$.

Yo^{r} Hon^{r} and Councills
most humble servant
JOHN BROMWELL.

Ship Successe Charles Sherrer Master arrived from Ganjam. 23.

ATT A CONSULTATION AT Y^{E} GODOWN SATERDAY

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOV^{R} 24TH
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^{R} WILLIAM FRASER.

Being mett to view the cloth turned out by the Sorters, and the cloth remaining to bee sorted, it app^{rs} that there is of the turned out Longcloth 385 pieces, Salampores 300 pieces and of cloth that is to bee Sorted Betteelas 254 pieces

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Neckclothes 350 pieces, Morees 419 pieces. Ginghams 40 coveds p^{s} 120. Ditto 16 coveds 240 p^{s} Longcloth brown p^{s} 240 w^{ch} makes about 40 bales, besides cloth under the beaters hands which may bee finished to day Viz^{t} Ginghams 16 coveds 100 p^{s} Salampores 580 pieces, Longcloth 150 p^{s} which will make 13 bales more, in all about 53 bales. It is ordered that all the aforementioned cloth bee rec^{d}, Sorted, and embaled forthwith: and that wee doe afterwards agree with the Merchants for abatements on the turn'd out Cloth, according to the reports of the Sorters, not having time now to argue and consult that point wth them, the 240 pieces of long cloth brown haveing been allready sorted and rejected, as not equall to Muster, being to thin and uneven. It is however ordered to bee Resorted and embaled by two lower musters and if at last there be occasion laden on board y^{e} Sampson to prevent dead Freight. The cloth att the washers cannot bee gott ready time enough it being determined to dispatch y^{e} Sampson on Monday next.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.

25TH Ship Jelpha Merchant Thom^{s} Plumbe Master from Bengall Laden with Butter, oyle &c^{a}.

28 The Generall Letter to the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company dated 26th Instant read and signed with Cap^{t} Bromwells dispatch.

In the Evening Ship Sampson fired a Gun in Signe of being full Laden.

THURSDAY MARCH 1.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOV^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^{R} WILLIAM FRASER.

Emaun Cooley being come from the Camp hither in order to his proceeding to the Kings Court to reside as Zulphaker Cawn's Vaqueel, and haveing had late intelligence by Peons from the Mogulls Court, that Assid Cawn is Reinstated in the Kings favour and his office, It is resolved to write a letter to Assid Cawn to putt him in mind of his former promisses, concerning the Phirmaund, and to obtaine his further confirmation of the grant of the new Towns and that two Mauldars bee Sent wth Emaun Cooley by whome hee hath given us assurance of returning them with the Phirmaund in a short time, and that a present bee sent to Assid Cawn in some fitt portable Rarity to the Value of about one hundred Pag^{s} and to Emaun Cooley bee given att his departure Some Small Rarities out of the Godown to the value of abo^{t} 10 p^{a}. Emaun Cooley haveing when here before in February 169$\frac{3}{4}$ urged to the Commissary the promise made him of four thousand rupees for himselfe (besides twelve thousand Rupees for which a writeing is given for Zulphaker Cawn) and for a Pension of five hundred Rupees ℔ ann̄ for his life, upon his procureing a Phirmaund, which the Commissary did then enq^{r} into and was Satisfied in the truth of it, and did allso give his verball promise to Emaun Cooley for the performance, and Emaun Cooley did allsoe att the sametime insist upon the Presidents giveing him his promise, which was done in the Commissary's presence. But Emaun Cooley do's now demand a writeing under the Presidents hand for the payment of the said money to the person that shall bring the phirmaund and said writeing, because hee may bee obliged to continue att the Court, and send the phirmaund by other hands. It is resolved that the President doe give to Emaun Cooley Such a writeing Coppy whereof is entred after this Consultation, and further that upon his procureing a phirmaund, he doe for his life receive a Pension of a Vaqueel 500 Rup^{s} ℔ annum.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

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Delivered Capt John Bromwell Commandr of ship Sampson his Dispatch in the Morning wth ye Pacquet to the Rt Honble Compa and the bag of private letters.

THE PRESIDENTS OBLIGATION TO EMAUN COOLEY FOR FOUR THOUSAND RUPEES.

Whereas Emaun Cooley Beague has undertaken to procure a Phirmaund for ye English East India Company at Chinnapatam with certaine priviledges there, and on the Coast of Chingee, Choromandell and Gingerlee, as are expressed in a writeing now delivered him, the procureing of which will occasion his expending a considerable summe at Court for fees for officers &ca. I doe hereby promise on behalfe of the said Compa if the said Emaun Cooley shall accordingly procure such Phirmand to pay him in full Satisfaction of all such charges, and for his trouble and care therein, the Summe of four thousand Rupees either to the said Emaun Cooley himselfe, or to such person as shall by his Order bring this paper and the said Phirmaund Dated in Fort St George this 1st day of March $169\frac{3}{4}$.

NATHLL: HIGGINSON.

Briggantine Dilligence Samll Hart Mastr from Bengall. 1
Received a generall letter from Fort [St] David dated 27 February last. 2
Ship Dolphin Zachariah Stilgoe Master from Bengall by whome received a generall from the Agent &ca dated the 3d February last. Allso Ship Salmantree Gregorin Master from Bengall.
Received a generall letter from Fort St David dated the 2d Instant. 4
Ship Sta Cruze Bauba Arratoom Mastr from Bengall.
Received a Generall letter from Fort St David dated 2d Instant.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 5TH

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr John Foquet Rentall Generall paid into the Rt Honble Comps cash Pags 288 : 31 on account Quitt rents, and Mr Matt: Empson Provll Sea Customr Pags 1000 on accot of Sea Customes.

Ordered that Pags 1000 be paid Mr Thoms Wright Provl Paymaster for defraying Garrison Charges and Pags 224 to Mr Richard Elliot on a bill drawn by Mr Hatsell &ca Councill of Fort St David dated the 1st of March.

Ordered that Ship's Royall James and Mary and Madapollam be forthwith dispatched to Yorke Fort, the former to lye there but two moneths, and then to proceed to Bengall with what Pepper shall be there ready.

Upon a review of the list of stores required by the Governour &ca of Yorke Fort, it is ordered that the warehouskeeper doe cause the following to be Laden on ditto Ships Vizt on the Madapollam so much as is necessary to make her sailworthy, and the rest on the Royall James and Mary Vizt.

Cordage 3 coils of Severall Sizes.
Anchors 3 of 3 *C.* or 4 *C.* weight each.
Graplins 2.
Carpenters tools, Coopers tools and Joyners tools some of each sort.
Pitch 4 Barrells. Tarr 10 Barrells.
Sail Cloth 10 Corge. Stock lockes 10.
Pumpleather 1 hide. Butter Jarrs 30.

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Oyle Jarrs	40	Bengall Salt provisions all.	
Arrac Bengall Butts	10	Bengall & Europe bread all.	
Goa Hogshds	5	Rice Garse	30
Brandy Gallons	50	Wheat baggs	30
Sugar Baggs	20	Scales and weights large.	
Cheese caskes	2	Factors Provisions all sorts.	
Longcloth white bales	20	Gunnyes 1000 guny bags	500
Salampores	5	Powder English barrells	10
Betteelas 40 coveds	4	Country Candy	5
Morees fine	2	Match English pounds	50
Taffatees red corge	1	Country Candy	2
China Pelongs & Corge	1	Drums, & heads and Cords	
China Silver flower ps	3	Salt 4 or 5 garse.	
Do. Paper ps	3	Cloth &ca recd from Bengll ℔ ye Samll.	

To bee provided allso by the Steward.

Turkeis 10, Geese 10, Ducks 40.

Provision for 4 or 5 Passengers and 25 souldiers.

Our last advises from Vizagapatam being yt Mr Holcombe was Sicke, and Vessells that came from thence adviseing that he continues Soe, It is thought requisite not to defer the Ships goeing in further expectation of his comeing and it appearing necessary to remove Mr Fleetwood from the Government there, by reason of his many grosse miscarriages represented to us by Mr Willson and Mr Butterfeilds letters and allso Mr Butterfeilds further information, and the Generall complaint of all persons who have been concerned with him in private trade, and haveing no person here at present proper to send thither as Supravisor in the room of Mr Holcombe, It is resolved as the last expedient for settlement of affairs there, and the adjusting of their accots of the West coast, that Mr Samuel Willson be appointed Governour of Yorke Fort in ye room of Mr Charles Fleetwood and that Mr Francis Betts doe as soon as the Fort St George Bookes are finished proceed thither on one of these Ships, with full power to overhall examine and state all the accots of Yorke Fort in one pair of Bookes ending at the time of his arriveall there at which time they are to cause a true accot to bee taken imediatly of the reall remains there, and at [P]ryamong, and to ballance the Bookes conforme to ditto reall remains and So Soone as that is done Mr Betts to returne hither upon Ship Madapollam, and Mr Fleetwood to come with him, that his accots may be here cleared. Mr Betts dureing his stay there to take place in Councill next to the Govr (and upon his returne) to be Second of Vizagapatam and in consideration of ye ℘ticular Service which Mr Betts does willingly consent to undertake, It is agreed that hee doe before his departure from hence receive Pags Fifty in part, and at his returne if he bring the Yorke Fort Bookes finished Pags fifty more in full gratuity.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TUESDAY 6TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Secretary paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 208 recd by him for permission of Passage to England on Ship Sampson of the following persons Vizt.

Mary Harrison	P. 26	Robert Willcox	P. 26
James Heathfeild	„ 26	James Metcalfe	„ 26
Elihu Hamon Gibbons	„ 26	Elizabeth Holcombe	„ 26
Gilbert Affleck	„ 26	Francis Wheeler	„ 26
			Pa: 208

[6TH]

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 169¾*—

The Serango and nine Lasscarrs returned from England desireing Service in the Garrison and there being severall of the English discharged from the gun room Crew, for the Supply of the English and Countrey Ships, and their pay being lesse, but their Service more usefull. It is ordered that they be entertained, the Cheif at 100 fan^s ℘mens and the rest at 60 fanams.

M^r Fraser warehouskeeper delivers a report dated 23^d February of the Fort S^t David Cloth examined here which is ordered to be entred next after this Consultation.

John Knowles is discharged from the Gun Room Crew and Andrew Miller Dutchman from the Garrison.

Ordered that five chests of Mexico Dollers be laden on the two Ships for the west coast Viz^t one chest on the Madapollam, and four chests on the Royall James and Mary and the warehousekeeper is ordered to change the Pillar Doll^rs for Mexico for this Service.

The warehouskeeper is ordered to pay unto Judge Dolben 1264½ Dollers due y^e 4^th Inst̃ and to M^r George Herron 1700 Dollers due y^e 12^th Inst̃ with the interest thereon at 9 ℘ Cent ℘ añ.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

FORT S^T GEORGE FEBRUARY 23^D 169¾.

In opening of Some Fort S^t David bales in order to their being viewed, examined, and compared w^th the musters, and the same to be reported in ℘suance of an order of Consultation of the [ ] day of [ ] wee find their condition thus Viz^t.

L CO N° I B. This Bale is mark't with the letter B to denote that the cloth wants one coved of it's due length, but in it's goodnesse and quality ought to be equal to N°. 1 but wee find it to come much short of, being mostly course, gouty and thin, and we cannot say wee ever saw any worse, this bale by its noate was sorted by John Haynes.

L CO N° I A. One bale mark'd with the letter A denoteing each piece to contain no more then 71½ Coveds long, the cloth we find but very ord^ry being mostly thin, and unequally Sorted, Some pieces indifferr^t good and other Some very bad, however tis mu[ch] better then the first bale above mentioned, this by its noat was sorted by Edm^d Mountague and Zouch Troughton.

L CO N° 1 B. By six pieces indifferently taken out of this bale and veiwed by us, wee find agreeable to must^r N°. 1 of Fort S^t David, the noat Sign'd by Edmond Mountague and Zouch Troughton.

B.E.T. No. 28. By compareing this bale with the muster we find it answerable to said muster the noat sign'd by M^r Hatsell.

B.E.T. No. 25. Wee [find] indifferent good and near the muster sign'd by John Haynes.

S.A.O. No. 3. Wee find agreeable to muster but very ill washed Sign'd by Thomas Constable.

The musters are much inferiour to Fort S^t George Musters, and all the cloth except the Beteela's very ill washed.

WILL FRASER.
ED: IREDCROFT { excepting the two first Bales.
MATT: MEAD.

Ship Nossa Senhora de Concension, Ant° de Silva arrived from Pegue. 6

The President haveing notice that two Souldiers who run from this Garrison 9 about five days Since are in Pollicatt detained there in custody by the Gov^r &c^a,

[9TH] —— *FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 169¾* ——

a Generall letter to the Gov^r & Councill was Sign'd and sent thither by Francis Hall Serjeant, and Six Peons to demand and bring Said Souldiers back.

Ship Katherine William Holmes master from Vizagapatam, upon w^ch Ship came M^r Charles Barwell.

10 Ship Danesburgh came into this Road from Tringombar.

11 Small Sloop belonging to the Danes came into y^e Road.

MONDAY 12 ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that Pag^s 600 be paid to M^r Thom^s Wright Prov^ll Paymaster for charges garrison and Shipping.

Doctor Faucet who was appointed by the late Commissary Generall by writeing under his hand before his death, to be one of the Chirurgeons of Fort S^t George, haveing requested that hee may be permitted to be Chirurgeon at Fort S^t David, It is granted, and ordered y^t he repair thither by the first convenient oppertunity, and be Chirurgeon of that Factory in the room of Docter Blackwall.

Generall letter to Bencoolen dat this day read and approved.

Ordered that Paul Dainstone who Served an apprenticeship to a Bricklayer, and does pretend to understand the manner of makeing and burning bricks and Charles Crew who pretends to understand the makeing Lime doe both proceed to Bencoolen on the Royall James and Mary in the list of Souldiers, and there be imployed in their trades as occasion requires, the Former to be gratified with 50 Dollars for the first kill of 100000 Bricks he shall there make, and 20 dollars for every kill he shall make afterwards and the latter to be gratified with 10 dollars for the first kill he makes of 100 bushells of Lime, and 5 Dollars for every kill he makes afterwards.

M^r William Fraser paid into the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Cash Pag^s 500 on acco^t of goods Sold & the Beetle leafe Farmers paid Pag^s 250 on that account.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

12 Briggantine Francis, Francis Hoit mast^r arrived from Queda with Ellephants.

THURSDAY 15TH ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOVERN^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

M^r Edward Tredcroft Register paid into the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Cash Pag^s 31 : 5 on acco^t Registring of Houses.

Yesterday Emaun Cooley being dispatched with Letters to Assid Cawn the Grand Vissier, and a writeing for the payment of 4000 Rupees (the copy whereof is entred after the Consult of the 1^st Inst) to him or his Order upon Rec^t : of the Phirmaund, allso delivered him a pap^r of Memorandums, and a letter to Issa Cooley an Armenian Resident at the Mogulls Court, the copyes thereof are ordered to be entred after this Consultation.

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Mr Thoms Wright read his Paymasters accots for the month of January last ℘ticulars Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pa:	835 : 30
Charges Generall	„	379 : 3
Charges Merchandize	„	8 : 12
Charges Cattle	„	11 : 6
Yegmore &ca Townes	„	7 : 8
Fortifications and Repairs	„	34 : 20
Charges Dyett	„	429 : 3
Accot Shipping	„	1416 : 1
	Pags :	3121 : 11

In the month of February at the time of the dispatch of the Sampson, the following ℘sons were discharged by our Order and omitted to be entred in the Consultation in due time Vizt. Henry Cormell a souldier on the 24th of February for which he paid Pags 56 into the Rt Honble Comps Cash, and three Dutch Souldiers and three Dutchmen of the Gun Room Crew, for the Supply of the Sampson and are Spared because some of these men have run, and been taken again, and 'tis suspected they will run again Vizt. Michael Fatter, Garnet Rainto, Henrick Van Othro, Daniel de Bunt. allso three Englishmen of the Gun Room Crew for the Service of the Ship Madapollam.

On the 1st Instant upon Arsemonagues demand of Yegmore &ca new towns, and the gathering of his people for the forceable takeing possession, the Cheif Peon complaining of the want of Peons for the guards on the out watches, the President Ordered him to inlist 20 Peons for that present Service, and the same are ordered to be continued till the occasion is past.

Mr Matt: Mildmay paid into the Rt Honble Comps cash Pags 260 on accot Land Customes and read his accots of Land Custome, for the months of January and February last particulars Vizt

JANUARY—				
Land Custome	Pa:	0 :	8 :	45
Choultry Custome	„	55 :	21 :	3
Cloth Broakers	„	38 :	31 :	16
Town Conicoplie	„	3 :	4 :	30
Rubie Broakers	„	2 :	6 :	45
Tobacco Renters	„	133 :	12 :	0
Beetle Leafe Renters	„	41 :	24 :	0
Confiscation	„	5 :	0 :	60
	Pags	280 :	0 :	39
FEBRUARY—				
Land Custome	Pa:	0 :	2 :	55
Choultry Custome	„	100 :	16 :	59
Triblicane Custome	„	0 :	4 :	70
Rubie Broakers	„	4 :	7 :	60
Tobacco Renters	„	133 :	12 :	0
Town Conicoplies Custome	„	1 :	25 :	67
Cloth Broakers	„	22 :	29 :	15
Confiscations	„	2 :	8 :	65
	Pags	264 :	35 :	71

The Paymaster is ordered to pay the bills of drugs bought in the Buzar by the Chirurgeons from ye month of February 169⅔ to January 169¾ pags 21 and for the months of August Septembr October and November last, for the Hospitall use pa 15 : 25 : 4.

William Cooke an English Seaman who had contracted to Serve one year in the Garrison, having Served two years and desireing a discharge, It is granted.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

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To Assid Cawn the Grand Vissier.

Since the Kings begining to reign it is now 37 Years, I have often acquainted your Excell: of the many Services done to his Majesty and his servants, in Ascar Cawn, and Allemerde Cawn's time, You cannot chuse but be sencible of it, besides the provision wee have allways sent up, and still continueing the same to yo^{r}. Camp att Chingee and Wandewash, upon which your Excellency gott from Prince Cawn Bux his Neshawn for us for three towns, which was given us as a free gift, together with your own Seal and Perwanna for the Same, besides which yo^{r} Excellency have often promised in your letters that you would gett the Kings Phirmaund for us at the Kings Camp to Send it us presently, and more especially when you should arrive, and to the Dutch you have granted five towns, and to us but three, by which wee shall gett noe more then three hundred Pag^{s} ℘ ann̄. Soe according to your Exc^{s} orders wee have taken under our Protection these three towns, now Arsemonagues People came with Merja Noradore Seale and demanded the same, giveing us a great deale of trouble, as allso Triplicane, which allways belonged to us, they contriveing all ways possible to breed a quarrell, So that wee might incur his Maj^{ties} and your Exc^{ys} displeasure, & likewise loose those towns which would be a great dishonour to us : wee did not take them by force you well know, it was by your order, neither Shall wee ever take any thing without his Majesties or your Exc^{ys} [orders], now Since your Exc^{y} have So often promised us according to our desire the Kings Phirmaund, together with your own perwanna for those towns, wee again doe desire you to gett it us imediatly, which if you doe will be a great Hon^{r} to us amongst all Europeans, wee wholey rely on your Exc^{y} and have none other to trust to for to protect us, therefore wee do desire you to take care that no one doe us any wrong or injury. I am

Fort S^{t} George
28 February 169$\frac{3}{4}$.

Yo^{r}: Exc^{ys}: Hum^{ble}: Servant
NATH^{LL}: HIGGINSON.

To Issa Cooley Armenian at y^{e} Kings Court.

I desired my good freind Cojee Gregorie to write you a letter to understand how y^{e} English affairs Stood at Court, and by your answer to him I understand your great readinesse to assist me in the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} buisnesse, and what great Services you have formerly done in y^{e} Surratt troubles, I am Sorrey to hear that you have been at any charges upon that acco^{t} and that the President of Surratt has not taken care to repay you. I sent you inclosed my letter to his Excellency S^{r} John Gayre Generall for all the English affairs in India who I hope is arrived at Surratt before now, w^{ch} if you will send to him I doubt not but hee will cause full Satisfaction to be made you. In the meantime I desire your freindly assistance to Emaun Cooley, as occasion shall require. Hee has been employed three or four years in the getting of our Phirmaund, by the favour of Zulphaker Cawn, and his father Assid Cawn, the Grand Vissier, both which have promised us by Severall letters to procure it, but by one unfortunate accident or other Assid Cawn has hitherto been prevented. Our dependance is still on him, and have great hopes that he will perform it, being in the Kings favour, I thinke it necessary to continue our application to him by the same means, by which it was begun and therefore by Emaun Cooley I have now wrote, to put him in mind of his promise and Emaun Cooley who is goeing to reside in y^{e} Court as Zulphaker Cawns Vaqueel will have a good oppertunity to manage this buisinesse, which if he can accomplish I have promised him Four thousand Rupees which will be sufficient to pay the charge, and to pay himselfe for his trouble, and I have given him a bill to pay it upon receipt of the Phirmaund, so that you need not scruple to assist him if he has occasion for a little money to pay the fees, for after the King has given his Order there is no danger but it will passe.

I understand what you have written to Cojee Gregorie about the King's Husbulhookum, for takeing off the stop on y^{e} Europeans trade in Bengall and

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Surratt, concerning which I have allso discoursed wth Emaun Cooley, and I doubt not but he will assist in getting it, and if you will please to pay the accustomary fees of takeing out the Orders for the benifitt of the English Company, and send it to me, I will thankfully repay you according to your Order. If other nations doe not appear for themselves, there is no reason that the English Compa should loose the benifitt of the Kings favour. Pray lett the Order be expressed so that the English Compa may be named, between whome and Your nation there is a very freindly agreement, and whatever kindnesse you doe the Compa is allso a service to your own nation. In case of Emaun Cooley's mortality you may proceed according to the copye of the articles herewith sent you.

Yor Loveing freind
NATHLL : HIGGINSON.

MEMORANDUMS DELD TO EMAUN COOLEY
WHEN GOEING TO THE KINGS CAMP.

Arsemonagues Servants have demanded the towns of Yegmore and Persiwacca, which wth Tandore were given freely to the English by the Grand Vissiers Perwanna, and because the English doe refuse to deliver them (in Honour to the Vissiers Perwanna) without ye Nabobs Order, Arsemonagues servant Ramdas at Conjeveron has taken one of the Comps Merchts put him in prison and Chaubuck'd him demanding two thousand Pags for those towns, and he giveing order throughout all Arsemonagues Jaggeer in these parts to stop all buisinesse.

The Nabob and Duan of Bengall have acquainted the English Agent there, that they wrote to the King in their behalfe to take off the Stop on trade, upon which the King gave his Husbulhookum for takeing of the Stop from all the Europeans there, and at Surratt. But the Kings Order lyes in the hands of Silabatt Cawn who does not deliver it for want of Fees. Now the Order mentions both English Dutch and French and if it be stop't till they all appear to pay the fees, it will never be delivered. I have wrote to Issa Cooley concerning yt formerly, and now have wrote to him to discourse wth you concerning this affair, and desire that you will both consider it, and gett the Kings order for the English, if no Vaqueels appear for the rest & send it to me.

You are my freind that I rely upon for all buisinesse in the Kings Court, and desire you to write me particularly of that matter. I shall by all oppertunities send you an accot of all our affairs.

If you find that request concerning ye forgiveing the twelve hundred pags cannot be granted, lett not that obstruct the passing of the Phirmaund for the rest.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 19TH

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Matthew Empson paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 500 on accot of Sea Custom and Mr Matthew Mildmay Pagds 1508 : 16 : 3 being the ballance of his accot rendred of the Estate of Allea Vaudee Moorman decd.

Ordered that John Kennersly Senior and John Kennersly Junior Joyners who belonged to Ship Samuel desireing to returne home upon Ship Royall James and Mary; they are discharged from the Gun Room.

Ensigne Alexander Delgardner being a person of good experience in gunnery and military affairs, and Fortification, and a very active man may be perticularly Serviseable att Yorke Fort (besides the Military buisinesse) by imploying the Coffrees in draining the Swamp near the Fort, in repairing the defects so much complain'd of in the Fort and buildings, and in planting &ca. It is ordered that he go upon

[19TH] the Royall James and Mary with a Commission for being Lieutent of the first Company for wch to receive Lievtenants Pay, and a gratuity of ten dollers ℔ month, So long as he shall approve himselfe Serviseable there, in the forementioned buisinesses under the direction and Command of the Govr and Councill. But if they find him not Serviseable, or that he is troublesome or disre[s]pectfull, to return hither by the first oppertunity.

Mr Francis Congreve Factor is ordered to goe along with Mr Francis Betts to the West coast as his assistant in the buisinesse appointed him, and to returne with him unlesse hee shall there make his request to stay.

Mr Edward Ange and Mr Thoms Crouch writers, are ordered to proceed to Yorke Fort on the Royall James and Mary to Serve the Rt Honble Compa as they shall be directed by the Governour and Councill there.

Generall letter to the Agent and Councill of Bengall dated this day, allso the dispatches of Ships Royall James and Mary, & Madapollam read and approved.

A perwanna being this forenoon received from Zulphaker Cawn for holding the new Towns in our possession (the translate whereof is hereafter entred); It is ordered that Capt Seaton goe this afternoon with the Cheife Dubash and Braminye, and cause the Said perwanna to be publickly read for the Satisfaction of the Inhabitants, who before not dareing to cutt their Paddy for fear of Arsemonagues People, are forthwith to go about the cutting of it to prevent further losse.

Ordered that Pags: 500 be paid to Mr Thoms Wright Provll Paymaster for Chargs Garrison.

Ordered that the Salary &ca due to Mr Francis Bett [s] Mr Francis Congreve Mr Edward Ange to the 25th Instant be paid them, and the allowances due to Mr Betts as Secretary, and ten pounds for finishing Fort St George Bookes ending April last amot to Pags: 92 : 12: allso the following Sum̃es be advanc'd to the following persons in part of their Salary, to be advised to Yorke Fort Vizt Edward Ange Pags 30, Thomas Crouch Pags 30 and to Lievtenant Delgardner Pags 30 and the Paymaster is ordered to advance a months Pay to the Souldiers that goe thither.

Mr Barkham Dean late Purser att Indapoora producing an accot of 1000 doll̃ due to him upon the ballance of that accot from Mr Hamon Gibbons, as appears by Mr Gibbons Rect, and the entry thereof in Mr Gibbons accot Cash, and is part of the 23000 Dollers which Said Gibbons makes due to him from the Rt Honble Company, by the ball̃ of his accot Cash and the Said 1000 Dollers being moneys of other mens in the hands of Said Dean, which is now required of him by the owners. It is Ordered that ye warehouskeepr doe pay 1000 dollers to Mr Dean, takeing both his and Mr Gibbons Rect for the same, and it is to be charged to the accot of ditto Gibbons.

Mr Francis Betts delivers the Generall Bookes of Fort St George L : L ballanced ending April last, and an accot of Passes for the months of July and August last for which he pays into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 14 : 24.

Cojee Gregorie and Devamond producing Orders from the Court of Admiralty dat̃ 10th Inst̃ the first for pa: 134 : 9 fans and the latter for Pags 691 : 9 fans due to them from Allea Vaudee. It is ordered that the Same be paid.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

20. Ship Happy Returne Thoms Gullock Master arrived from Succadana. Delivered a Commission to Alexander Delgardner for to be Lievt of the first Company of foot at Yorke ffort of this date.

TRANSLATE OF A PERWANNA FROM NABOB ZULPHAKER CAWN BAWHAUDER TO PRESIDENT HIGGINSON GOVR OF CHINAPATM.

You must allways expect the Kings favr. I received your letter, wherein you wrote me [word] that Arsemonagues People have disturbed your towns, and pretends

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they are under his Jaggeer, but you are still for keeping them, therefore I have Ordered those towns to continue, and remaine under you, I have agreed wth Arsemonagne that he shall not molest Your towns, nor Revenues, dated the 24th Rajub, in ye 37 Year of the Kings Reign.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 22.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHL. HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT.
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that Pags 250 be paid to Amirjoan Armenian, on a bill drawn on us by the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort St David dat 7 February and pa : 60 : 9 fans to Mr Stanhope Mill[es] on the like bill dated 3 March.

Mr Thomas Wright delivers the musters of Ship Royall James and Mary 119 Men, and Ship Princesse Anne of Denmarke 127 men.

Mr Affleck haveing some Salt Petre in the Road and some on Land, which being informed was intended for the Supply of the Danes at Tringombarr, he was sent for, and acquainted with the Publick order prohibiting exportation of Saltpetre without leave, and he acquainting us that he had Sold the Saltpetre to the Danes Governr and Councill, and that there was a Danes Ship now in the Road to receive it, the matter was referred to further consideration.

Mr Thomas Gullock who is lately returned from a voyage made to Succadana for the accot and charges of severall Free Merchants in town, does produce a grant from the Sultan of Borneo, to the Honble English Compa Copy whereof is ordered to be entred after this Consultation.

The Farme of Tobacco and Ganjee is Lett to Vincateeputtey &ca partners for one year, ending 20 March 169⅘ paying for ye whole Pags 2800 Vizt in hand Pags 233 : 12 and Pags 233 : 12 fa: the 20th day of every month till the whole Sume be paid upon ye terms of ye former Cowle.

Ordered that a Cowle (as followes after this Consultation) be granted to Nairo Verona, Taliera Barshalo, Vincateputtee, and Cassua, they now paying Pags 200 for a fine.

Vincateputtee paid into the Rt H: Comps Cash pa: 100 for the 15 days he had ye Priviledge of Selling beetle leaves, after the 15th January the terme of his Cowle.

The Rt Honble Comps Servants who came Passengers on the Royall James and Mary, their Paper of complaint against Capt Buck was read, Capt Buck and his officers present, and upon hearing of both parties, it does appr that the Passengers had not due allowance of provisions, Salt and fresh [provisions], nor that civill useage and treatmt which is useall & due to the Rt Honble Comps Servants in their Ships, Severall of them haveing received very grosse affronts from the officers ꝑticularly the Capt and his brother, by reason of the Commanders Conniveance, Capt Buck recd a very Severe Check for the said miscarriages, which he promises to amend for the future and it is ordered yt the Rt Honble Compa be inform'd of ye ꝑticulars by copying of the said paper of complaint after this Consultation, as allso a Paper delivered by Mr Morrice, concerning his unhandsom carriage to Sr John Gayre in the Voyage out.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TRANSLATE OF A GRANT FROM THE SULTAN OF BORNEO TO YE HONBLE ENGLISH [EAST INDIA] COMPA JANRY 169¾.

The Honble English Compa requesting a Settlement and trade within these Dominions &ca by Capt Thomas Gullock, the Sultan therefore freely grants, with approbation of the Orangkeys, and Govrs &ca unto the said Capt Gullock, in the

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name and behalfe of the Said Hon^ble^ Comp^a^ a Factory att this Citty of Succatana, with ground for a Fort House, Storehouses &c^a^ allready Chosen by the Said Cap^t^ Gullock, and lay'd of by the Prince Pangin Putra and Shabander, two hundred Yards square to be enlarged and secured as occasions may require, with free liberty to trade to or from any part of his kingdome, or build, or Settle a Factory House wheresoever requisite, trading in, or with [out in] any Sorts of goods or People, without molestation. Secondly that the Said Hon^ble^ Comp^a^ Shall pay five hundred Dollers a year as an acknowledgement without any other duties whatsoever. Thirdly that no European or People wearing Hatts Shall be permitted to come into the River of Succatana, or trade in any other part of the Sultans Dominions, under any pretence of Protection or ℘mission from the Sultan three except[ed] Viz^t^ Juan Adrian[es] Corn^s^ Adam[s]z the Present Martinez, and these to have a free trade only at Succatana. Fourthly that if any Prince or People should send letters of Embassage to the Sultan, the Comp^a^ Shall not impead their entrance, but if such Letters come from any white or Christian nation, the Hon^ble^ Comp^s^ Cheif &c^a^ Shall be consulted with for an answer to the Same, and be present at the first reading. Fifthly that if any Person, or people offer Violence to the Hon^ble^ Company, the Sultan shall assist them, and the like on their part. Sixthly that any ℘son belonging to the Said Hon^ble^ Comp^a^ offending and flyeing to the Sultan, Shall be by his Order secured and sent back, and the like on their part. Seaventhly that the Hon^ble^ Comp^s^ Servants Shall not abuse their women or any other, that in Such case Justice be done Jointly. Eightly that laborers shall worke at a certain price. Ninthly that there shall be no Scoffing at Religious Exercises. Sign'd by the Sultan, and delivered by the Prince and Shabander, in presence of the Orankeys.

A COWLE GRANTED BY Y^E^ HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^ HIGGINSON ESQ^R^ PRESIDENT & GOVERN^R^ &C^A^ COUNCIL TO Y^E^ RUBIE BROAKERS VIZ^T^ NAIRO . VERONA, TALLARO BARSHARALO, VINCATTEPUTTEE AND CAUSSA.

You are Jointly from this day to begin as broakers for all Sorts of pretious Stones Diam^ds^ and Corrall excepted, You are to receive three ℘ Cent brokerage, out of which you are to pay into the Choultrey two, and the remaining one you are equally to divide among yourselves. You are allso to discharge yo^r^ trust dilligently and honestly, and to encourage Merchants, Strangers &c^a^ to buy and sell. If any of you Shall offer to receive more then is herein mentioned or shall discourage or abuse any Merchants in buying or Selling, or Shall not give a true acco^t^ hee Shall receive due punishment for his offence. Dated in Fort S^t^ George this 22 day of March Anno Dom̃ 169¾.

NATH^LL^: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRASER.

TO THE HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^ HIGGINSON PRESID^T^ AND GOV^R^ OF FORT
S^T^ GEORGE &C^A^ COUNCIL.

May it please Your Hon^r^ &c^a^.

Wee have in persuance of our petition formerly deliver'd your Hon^r^ &c^a^ proceeded to particularize our greivances, which with all humb^le^ Submission is offered to your Hon^rs^ &c^a^ consideration Viz^t^.

1. The first and cheif thing that wee shall alledge against Cap^t^ Buck, is that of our want of fresh provisions most part of the Voyage, he not considering the great and unuseall rate paid him for our transportation.

2. That wee neither eat nor drinke of y^e^ Ships Provisions So well as the mates during y^e^ Voyage.

3. That wee thought it very unresonable to allow us but one meale a day, and that of the Ships provisions, for three, four or five weeks together, when the Mates had breakfast & Supper allowed them.

4. That when there was fresh provisions killed wee had not our share, the mates haveing a breakfast & supper out of it, the Cap^t^ declaring it was their fees.

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5. That when we had any thing to eat, we eat more like beasts then men, haveing neither trencher, nor table cloth, but after we were forced from his table, he ordered a table cloth and plates constantly.

6. That upon our request by M^r^ Cormell and M^r^ Hearne that he would supply the defect of fresh provisions by allowing Chees or butter for breakfast, he granted one small Chees amongst twenty six persons, which when expended, and wee desireing more, he retorted, the Ship's Sides were not made of chees.

7. That the Cap^t^ was So uncivill to us, y^t^ if any person came on board, he either tooke them into the Round house, or turn'd us down into the Cabbin.

8. That when at S^t^ Jago he was so uncivill to us as to deny us his boat (unlesse we would goe in his long boat with the Cattell) to get on board, his Yaule and Pinnace being both on Shoare to wait on him & his boys, forbidding his men to lett any Passeng^r^ come into his boats, So that those that were ashoare were forced to wade up to y^e^ necks to gett into the Long boat.

9. That he Suffered the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Comp^s^ Serv^ts^ in generall to be abused by his officers.

THO: MARSHALL.	JAMES HARRIS.
STEPH: TREWEN.	THOM^s^: CROUCH.
THOM^s^: LOVELL.	HEN: MUMPESSON.
WILLIAM MORRICE.	

May it Please Yo^r^ Hon^r^:

Haveing had an oppertunity of waiting upon S^r^ John Gayre at the Cape, he was pleased to give me y^e^ foll Instructions to communicate to S^r^ J^no^ Goldsborough and Agent Ellis it being then Strongly ₽sumed that Cap^t^ Buck would have made the best of his way to Bengall, according to his Sailing Orders, wherein he was strictly enjoyned So to doe by the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Comp^a^ especially considering y^e^ advantage the Interloper was likely to obtain by his haveing had the favour of a sufficient Convoy of men of Warr, and propitious winds whilest wee lay under the contrary disadvantage in Plimouth Sound. I do assure yo^r^ Hon^r^ that did not those Commands I rec^d^ make a deep impression on, and enjoyned me to discharge my trust. I Should rather have chose to have been Silent in this affair, wherefore considering both the dignity of his Excellency (who was pleased so far to intrust me) and of your Hon^r^ (whome I addresse) I have taken care to expresse myselfe with all candor, and as near Verbat^m^ as my memory will admitt of Viz^t^.

1. Hee villified his Excellency in Saying that his Excellency Sought to Supplant him in getting the command of Ship Royall James and Mary, when it was publickly known at the same time that his Excell had that hon^ble^ Employm^t^ of Lievtenant Generall of the Comp^s^ affairs in India assured to him.

2. Hee behaved himselfe disrespectfully to his Excell when wee mett in 45 degrees North [latitude] about 200 Leagues on this side y^e^ Lands end, pretending to a Seperate command of y^e^ four Ships bound to the Coast and Bay, and thereupon wearing the broad Pendant, and committing severall irregularities notwithstanding his Exc^ys^ frequent checks, which he tooke no notice of.

3. Being in Company with the Henry an Interloper (whereof M^r^ George White is SupraCargo) and bound to Surrat and one of the Hon^ble^ Comp^s^ most inveterate enimies) notwithstanding his Exc^s^ possitive Orders ag^st^ holding correspondence with such caitifs, he was vehemently Suspected to communicate to them whatever passed, by means of a Small West countrey Ship bound to the Isle of May for Salt (that kept us comp^a^ from England to Madera) in regard that the said Interloper was observed to be as ready and punctuall when any signall was made, as any of the Comp^s^ Ships could be that had sailing Intsructions given by his Excellency in writeing.

4. Sometime after wee departed S^t^ Jago, & mett with the rains, he sought [to prevent ?] the Coast and Bay Ships from keeping Company with his Excell: takeing

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advantage of ye Resolutions heavy sailing, pretending it a great hindrance in his voyage, whereas his Excellency was pleased to say that his endeavours were to keep them together till wee had gott into ye South East trade winds way, whereof considering the Season of the Year, they were alltogether unexperienced. In the meantime desireing Capt Buck to Stay till he had writ his letters for this place, and the Bay.

Capt Buck behaved himselfe disre[s]pectfully at the Cape, calling the Dutch Govr double tongud rogue, deceitfull villain &ca before ye Fiskall of that place whereupon the Governour was supposed to withdraw for sometime to avoid such clamors. In the meantime ordering that no live Sheep, Corn, or wood, Should be ꝑmitted to be brought off, and at last granting but 30 Sheep to each Ship.

His Excellency designed to have writt, but the Subject being So mean, was pleased to expresse himselfe to this effect that Capt Bucks pride, Insolence and folly, were so notorious, and that withall, he had So little conduct of himselfe, that he could not but unmaske himselfe in all parts of the world whereever hee should come.

22 This with all humble Submission is tendered to your Honr by

Yor honrs most humble Servt
WILLIAM MORRICE.

Ship Speedwell sayled for Carricall.

FRYDAY 23 ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Charles Sherrer having requested liberty to go with his Ship to Gangham, pretending to have a Cargo of goods ready there, and the Cheif and Councill of Vizagapatam haveing alledged against him, that he hath been guilty of severall irregularities and miscarriages in the management of his Private trade there, It is resolved that he have liberty to proceed first to Vizagapatam, and from thence to Ganjam, if the Cheif and Councill Shall approve thereof, Said Mr Sherrer giveing bond under Penalty of one thousand Pags that hee will proceed accordingly to Vizagapatam. & there receive and follow the orders of ye Cheif and Councill for the management of his buisinese.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

24 Ship Katherine William Rogers master Sailed for Vizagapatam.

25 Last night Ships Royall James and Mary and Madapollam Sailed for the West Coast, upon the Former went Mr Edward Ange & Mr Thoms Crouch and upon the latter went Mr Francis Betts and Mr Francis Congrev[e] four of the Rt Honble Comps Servants.

MONDAY 26TH ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The Warehouskeeper is ordered to deliver to the Mint two thousand ozs of Silver Ingotts to be coined into Rupees.

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Cossim Cawn Nabob of Condurapee Countrey having writt to the President for a Doctor to cure his wounds, It is Ordered that Docter Brown do goe.

Madama the widdow of China Vincatadry, haveing on the 21st Instant Sent a Petition to the President by Timapa, concerning a cause depending in the Court of Admiralty (copy whereof is entered after this Consultation.) Timapa was sent for and this answer returned to her by him that the President and Councill doe refer her to the Court.

The Copy of Zulphaker Cawn's Perwanna to Fort St David in February last, being translated here (as entred after this Consultation) there is in the latter part of it an expression which in our mulla's opinion do's make the Rt Honble Company accountable for the proffitts of the place to the Duan. Vincattee Fort St David Cheif Dubash who was at the Camp wth Mr Haynes at the time of procureing it being here, does declare that by all the discourse that passed between them and the Nabob, they understood the Order onely to be for the English to enjoy the places according to Salabad and if there be any Such expression it was inserted by Wottamachund the writer, without the Nabobs Order or knowledge. The said Perwanna thô twas of good use to prevent trouble from the army in their passing so near the bounds of Fort St David, Yet is not fitt to be produced upon any other occasion, by reason of the expression wch is capable of the aforesaid construction, the Deputy Govr &ca are therefore to be advised thereof, and that when they have occasion to produce the Nabob's Perwanna, they make use of the former Perwanna granted.

Vincattee does allso declare at the same time that they gott this perwanna from Zulphaker Cawn, the Dutch were takeing out the like perwanna for Pullicherry which the Nabob had ordered and was written, but Severall of the Cheif officers did object against the passing of it, because they had not bought the place like Merchts as the English did Tegnapatam, but had taken it by Force as Souldiers, at a time when the Mogulls army was takeing the Country, and therefore it belonged to the King, for which reason the Dutch could not obtain a Chop to be put to the perwanna, & if they doe it will cost them a considerable summe to Stop the mouths of the Kings officers thô they have allready presented the Nabob very largely.

A few days before the departure of Ship Sampson for England Mr Vicessimus Griffith requested leave for going on that Ship, and upon the late finishing of the Bencoolen bookes, he standing Debtor therein Ryalls 337 for the useuall advance att Battavia on Spanish Dollers there expended by Capt Tuer and Mr Griffith in the Ship Saphire amount to 2500 : 0 : 0 and accounted for by Mr Griffith to the Deputy Governour and Councill of Yorke Fort, which he refuseing then to make Satisfaction for, was by us denyed leave for takeing his passage on that Ship. The Attorney Generall is now ordered to demand of Mr Griffith Ryalls 337 being 13½ ℔ Cent advance on Dollars 2500 and if he refuse payment, to enter and prosecute an Action against him in the Court of Admiralty for the Same.

Ordered that an Invoice be sent to Fort St David for two brass gunns taken by them out of Ship Madapollam.

The Paymaster is Ordered to cause a hundred Coats to be made of Cloth Rashes and Perpetuanoes Ordinary for the Souldiers of this Garrison.

There being many complaints of the water side peons abuseing of mercha[nts] by makeing them pay for boats after the [Sea] Customer has appointed them, and the [Peons] and Conicoplies being allso guilty [of severall] miscarriages. It is thought a good expedi[ent] to prevent it for the future that the Peons and Conicoplies be often changed from place to place.

Mr Stephen Frewen who arrived upon ye Royall James and Mary on the 3d of February last haveing produced an Order of the Court of Committees dated the 2d December 1691, appointing him the precedency of all the Factors, who came on the Charles the Second Berkeley Castle, and Sampson, and that he have his diett at the Presidents table, and all necessary accommodation. It is ordered that hee

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take place amongst the Factors next before Mr Joseph Hilliard and that he commence Merchant at the same time wth Mr Hilliard.

The Rt Honble Company haveing in former Letters frequently ordered a collection to be made of their generall rules and orders for the mannagemt of their affairs, out of yr Generall Letters, which has not hitherto been performed It is ordered that Mr Thoms Marshall do undertake that buisinesse, [and] that the Generall letters from the Year 1680 bee delivered to him as hee calls for them and allso when he has gone through the genll letters, that hee make the like collection of orders made by the President and Councill of Fort St George from 1675 and that the Consultation Bookes be delivered him ashe shall call for them.

There haveing been some disorders in the entry of consultations in the late hurry of buisinesse, It is Ordered for the future yt all resolves of the President and Councill be written by the Secretary in a fowle Consultation booke, which are to be signed by the President and Councill with the letters of their names before parting, which is ye Secretaries warrant for entring the same fair, and the Secretary is ordered the next ordinary consultation day, to bring the Same fair entred, which is to be signed first before any other buisinesse be considerd and when any Orders are made relateing to any person out of Councill, the Secretary is ordered to give him notice thereof, unlesse he be acquainted with it in Consultation.

There being a present necessity for money as well for paying of Severall Sum̃es borrow'd at Interest, and now demanded, as for ye Carrying on the Investmts of the Coast, which is to be raised only by the Sale of goods and Silver, and our Fort St. George Merchants refuseing to accept of any upon the account of the Investment, being So divided amongst themselves, that they cannot undertake the buying or disposeall thereof.

It is ordered that the warehouskeeper do Sell the Broad cloths Ordinary at Pags. 28 and Pags 30 ℔ piece according to the quantity and difference of price in the Europe Invoice and for his direction therein he is to take out of the Invoice the account of ye prices and in his warehouse account to enter the Invoice number of each price Sold. But to abate one pagoda in each piece if the buyers take of 20 pieces or more at one time, and that Lead be sold at Pags 12 ℔ Candy, but to abate halfe a pa : in a Candy if the buyers take of 20 Candy or more at a time. Silver Ingotts att 17½ Dollr weight for ten Pags and Dollers at 17 weighing for ten Pags.

The accomptant is ordered to draw out the account Salary payable in India to the Rt Honble Comps Servants in this Factory for one Year ending the 25th Instant.

Mr John Focquet paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 216 : 2 fa : on account Quitt Rents.

Ordered that Pags 300 be paid to Vincatte being for a bill drawn on us by the Deputy Govr and Council of Fort St. David, dated the 16th Instant.

Cojee Gregorie haveing received a l̃re from Issa Cooley (in answer to a letter wrote him concerning the Kings Husbull Hookum for takeing of the Stop on trade in Bengall and Surratt) Setting forth the pains that he has taken for the procureing thereof, and the Dutch and French haveing paid Six thousand, and four thousand Rupees for their Husbulhookums, he did upon a Shroff's Security for payment of said Six thousand Rupees, the fees of the Court Officers, take out and send that for Surratt, and upon payment of said Six thousand Rupees, will take out and send that for Bengall, as appears by translate of said letter entred in the copy booke of letters, concerning which it is considered by way of objection.

1. That it doeth not concern us to inter meddle in the affairs of Surratt.

2. That it is possible the President of Surat, or the Agent of Bengall have paid or Sent money for discharging the Court fees, & then there will be a hazard of paying it twice if wee Send money from hence.

3. Wee have no copy of the contents of the Husbul Hookum, nor don't know whether it will answer the end.

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As to the first objection the Husbull Hookum for Surratt seems to have been Joined with that for Bengall and there is no more paid for both then would bee for one.

As to the second the two Bengall Generall letters Dated 22d December and 13th February intimate that they depend upon us for procuring it, and desire us to Send a Vaqueel. But the sending of a Vaqueel would greatly have encreased the charge. However it is convenient to give Issa Cooley a caution to prevent double payment.

As to the third the contents of the Husbull Hookum, it is governed by the Nabob of Bengall, and the Govr of Surratt, their addresses to the King, upon which he has granted his order for the three European Nations together, and probably conforms to their respective Salabad, and wee have as neighbours fare with the rest of the Europe nations, and it can't be altered, but by an additionall charge. However it is fitt to desire Issa Cooley to take care that the name of the English Company may bee inserted therein, and not the English Nation, as hee was before instructed in the last lře sent him by Emaun Cooley.

Upon the whole it is resolved that the Six thousand Rupees be paid to Issa Cooley's order, oI Remitted to him by bills of Exchange to defray the charge of the Said husbulhookum.

A letter to rssa Cooley read and approved of this dayes date, as entred after this Consultation and a letter to Cossim Cawn of the Same date.

Dolmund, Surveyor of the Kings Forts in his new Conquests, comeing to see this Town in his travails, It is ordered at the Cheif Dubashs instance, that a bottle of Rose water, a pair of Spectacles, and one maund of Persia fruit be presented to him.

Mr Affleck haveing represented to us that hee has Sould two hundred Candy of Saltpetre to the Governour and Councill of Tringombar, for accot of the Royall Danish Company, 'tis orderd that he have leave to Ship it on board the Danes Ship now in this Road, he giveing bond that the same Shall be delivered to the Govr and Councill att Tringombar for account of said Compa.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TO THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT AND GOVR OF FORT ST GEORGE.
THE HUMBLE PETIC̃ON OF MADAMA BEARA TIMANA WIDDOW.

Humbly Sheweth

That whereas Raga Buttu Jagapa being indebted to your Petitioner, who sued him in President Gyffords time in his Court, they found that the bond for Pags 8000 the limitted time was not then expired, so your petitioner kept it till it should become due, and So the Court went on with the other Bonds, and gave Judgemt for yor Petitioner for Pa 7114 and the limitted time of ye other Bond being now expired your petitioner brought her action against him in the Court of Admiralty, and upon tryall of it the Judge Says this bond is included in the former Judgmt before in those bonds that were clear'd the principle of Phivalogo Chittees bond is pags 3500, the respondentia thereon amots to pags 5600, if this bond is included in the former Judgemt as the Judge Says, how can it be for if the English Law supposes it to be included, therefore must your Petitioner loose her just right, neither can wee goe contrary to your Honrs Laws, therefore your Petitioner is very sorrey it should be, Soe, if your Honr will be pleased to Send for Some of the most understandingest of the Gentues and informe them of the Judgemt that was formerly past and when they come to consider of the whole buisinesse, then your Honr and the Court will know by their report whether this

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bond is included or Seperate. All my desire is your Hon^r will allow of two arbitrators on each side: and in such intricate matters the Court has allowed of Arbitrators to make the buisinesse more plain to them, & when the Court receives the report of the Arbitrators, then the Court may grant their Judgm^t as they please, Wee have now lived here betwixt fourty and fivety Years in prosperity under favour of the Goverment, therefore hope your Hon^r will forward this our buisinesse, and your Petitioner as in Duty bound shall ever pray.

TRANSLATE OF A PERWANNA FROM NABOB ZULPHAKER CAWN TO Y^E CAP^T TEVENAPAT^M.

You must understand the person you Sent told me that the Fort with eleven Towns belong'd to you and desired that the Revenues might continue to be received according to Salabad, therefore I order that none shall mollest yo^r Fort nor towns, the Said Revenues of the Said place you may receive as heretofore, and as for the Revenues you are answerable for it according to Salabad. Dated the 9^th of the month Rajub, and in y^e 37^th Year of y^e Kings Reign which agrees w^th y^e 24 Febru^ry : O : S : 169¾.

To Issa Cooley. Fort S^t George
26 Mar^ch 94.

I lately wrote you a letter by Emaun Cooley, and because he may be longer in his Journey then a travailing Peon, I send you a copy there of. Cojee Gregorie has given me to understand the contents of your letter to him, whereby I perceive you have taken out the kings Hoosbulhookum, and Sent it to Surratt, and that upon payment of Six thousand Rupees for the Court Fees, you can take out the Husbulhookum for Bengall, and that you have given the Security of a Shroffe for the money. I returne you my hearty thankes for the great kindnesse you have done the R^t Hon^ble Comp^a therein and because there are many who have occasion to Send money hither to buy goods &^ca you may gaine Somthing by receiving the money there of them who have occasion, and draw bills upon me for the same which Shall be punctually paid, besides also twill be more convenient for me because of the hazard of sending money by land. And when you have taken out the kings HusbulHookum for Bengall, if you have oppertunity Send it to M^r Charles Eyres the English Ag^t at Chuttanuttee near Hughly in Bengall, and Send me a copy or two of the Same Chop'd by the Cojee, that I may Send them by severall Ships for fear one should miscarry. But if you have not a Speedy oppertunity of sending to Bengall Send the Originall & copyes to me, that I may Send it from hence, I pray if you can possibly Order matters So as that the Husbull Hookum may expresse y^e English Comp^a and not the English nation, because the Company have allwayes so desired it, and it is necessary for the keeping our own people in good order, and to prevent their quarrelling with, or doeing any injury to the Countrey Government.

I have not yet been informed that the President of Surratt or Agent of Bengall have either paid, or remitted any money for this occasion. If they have, I hope you will take care to prevent my paying it a Second time.

Since the buisinesse of the Husbul Hookum is over I desire you to deliver my letter to Assid Cawn, it being of some importance in relation to our phirmaund.

If you cannot gett a bill of Exchange Cojee Gregorie has sent goods to a considerable amount into your hands, and he has wrote you that you may make use of his money for this occasion, and I will repay him here.

I have paid these Peons for their charges goeing and comeing.

What Service you shall herein doe the R^t Hon^ble Comp^a Shall not be forgotten. I desire You to send forward my Packett to Surratt, for the Generall, as soon as you meet with a good oppertunity. I am

Yo^r Loveing Freind,
NATH^LL : HIGGINSON.

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ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 29.

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

M^r Matt: Empson Prov^ll Sea Custom^r paid into the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Cash p^a 800 on acco^t of Sea Custom.

Ordered that p^a 1000 be paid to M^r Thomas Wright Prov^ll Paymaster to defray Charg^s Garrison.

Generall letter to his Excellency S^r John Gayre Generall at Surratt dated 27^th Instant read and approved, and ordered to be dispatch't.

Ship Armenian Merchant is ordered to returne hither from Fort S^t David, with Bales, firewood and chinam, as much as Shall be ready in ten dayes time, after the Rec^t of said order, and what goods offer on Freight.

The President read his acco^t of the R^t Hon^ble Comp^as Cash for the month of February the Balance being Pag^s 590 : 23 : 4.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

29. Generall letter from Vizagapatam dated 10^th Inst. with copies of their Generalls dat̃ 10^th and 12^th February and their warehouskeep^rs acco^t of what Europe cloth damaged sent ℘ Ship Princesse [Anne of Denmarke].

31. Dispatcht a generall lr̃e to his Excellency S^r John Gayre dat̃ the 27^th and one dated 30^th w^th Severall other papers as ℘ list entered in the Copy booke of letters Sent.

Dispatch't Generall Letters to Fort S^t David and Vizagapatam both of y^s date by Peons.

APRIL 1. Ship Hawke Cap^t James Caulier * Commander arriveing in the Road this afternoone he sent a note ashoare directed to M^r Henchman. That he touch't here to know whether we had any Service to Bengall, whither he was bound, and that he had a packet on board directed to his Excellency and the President and Council.

The President and Councill thereupon mett and sent the following Order to y^e Com̃ander by the Secretary Viz^t.

TO CAP^T JAMES CAULIER
COMAND^R OF SHIP HAWKE.

Wee bid you wellcome to this Road & Order you upon Rec^t hereof to come on Shoare having occasion to consult with you concerning Your Voyage to Bengall, and the goods consigned to this place, bring with you y^e Packetts as well directed to Bengall as this place, and the private letters for this place. Dated in Fort S^t George the first day of April 1694.

NATH^LL HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRASER.

In the Evening the Commander came ashoare and brought with him the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s packett.

* 'Coulier in the I.O. copy.

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MONDAY 2^{D} ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOV^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOC^{T}
M^{R} WILLIAM FRASER.

The R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Packett by Ship Hawke found to containe one to Bengall and one to Fort S^{t} George, the latter contained the Duplicate of their Generell letter dated the 10th of April (received ℘ the former Ships) Invoice and bill of Lading of Ship Hawke.

Haveing a Sufficient quantity of lead for our present markets, It is ordered that the Ship be not detained for unladeing it, but proceed forthwith for Bengall, the same being continued to that Agency and the Accomptant to underwrite the Invoice accordingly.

A generall letter to the Agent and Councill of Bengall of this date read & approved being in answer to theirs of the [9th] of February, and adviseing our proceeding in relation to their HusbulHookum.

Judge Dolben acquainted that the late President Yale's Attourney the last Court day moveing an objection against M^{r} Frasers sitting as an Assistant in the Action depending between him and y^{e} R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company relateing to Fort S^{t} George merchants, the Judge required him to know of M^{r} Yale whether he did Still insist upon't or no, he haveing not long since Seemed to wave it, and that the Attourney brought him a verball answer that he did possitively insist thereon and it being thought reasonable to obviate that objection if it can [be], It is ordered that by the next generall letter to Fort S^{t} David M^{r}. Hatsell be Ordered to repa^{r} hither so Soone as he Shall have made a Contract with the Merchants.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

2. In persuance of this days resolve for Ship Hawkes Speedy proceeding for Bengall, the Commander haveing produced his Sailing Orders from the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} for that place was at noon Ordered by the President to receive the Packett at three a clocke, but he not comeing at Five, was sent for, and came not till after Six. When the Presid^{t} delivered the packet to him for Bengall, declaring wee had nothing more to detain him ashoare but he might go off imediately and Saile, he said twas late, but would go off in the morning.

Received the following letters Viz^{t} from Meer Mahomood appointed Duan of
2. y^{e} Cornatta Country in the Roome of Maarb Dar dec^{d} finding fault for not haveing written to him Since his comeing into this Country.

From Arsemonague adviseing that he has Ordered Ramdas at Pollicat to release y^{e} Merchants ther imprisoned by him.

From Mustapha Cooley Seir Lasscar of the Gingerlee Country to Kisna River inviteing to a Settlem^{t} in y^{e} Pettipollee Country and from Caun Collare Gov^{r} of the Pettipollee Country offerring a settlem^{t} at Darampaut.

Commander of Ship Hawke went off this afternoon and Sailed in the night.

3. Ship Cuddilore Merchant Rajee Mahmod Nocquedah arrived from Pegue.

THURSDAY 5. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^{R} WILLIAM FRASER.

The new Bishop of S^{t} Thoma wrote a letter to the President (Translate whereof after this Consultation) Signifying y^{t} he had appointed Padre de Saa Vicar

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of Cuddilore, an answer thereunto has been defferred, expecting an oppertunity for meeting with a fitter person for that place. Lately Padre Gulielmus Avalle arrived from Mauco [*sic*], who is of the ord^{r} of the Theatines, and declares himselfe independant of the Bishop of S^{t} Thoma, and haveing been discoursed is willing to goe to Cuddalore in the Roome of Padre Paulo. The Bishop of S^{t} Thoma haveing had notice thereof, does as our French Padre informes, possitively declare that Padre Paulo de Saa Shall be Vicar of Cuddilore and that if Padre Gulielmus Avalle goes thither he will excommunicate him. The French Padro allso informes that all the Padres of the Jesuits Order are concerned for Padre de Saa's his Continuation. It is considered that the S^{t} Thoma Bishops authority in appointing a Vicar at Cuddilore under the English Goverm^{t} is not to be addmitted, and therefore 'tis Ordered that a generall letter be written to M^{r} Hatsell &c^{a} Council to order Padre Paulo de Saa to cease from executing his Preistly function within their bounds, either in Publick or private, and if thereupon he refuse to comply, or prove troublesome, they order him to depart their bounds, & when we receive a letter from Fort S^{t} David the matter be further consider'd and that in the meantime an answer be writt to the Bishop of S^{t} Thoma's letter disowning his Episcopall Authority in Cuddilore or any other English Goverm^{t}.

M^{r} William Fraser paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Cash Pag^{s} 890 on acco^{t} of Goods and Silver Sold.

On the 10th of March last in the morñ : M^{r} Brough the Steward acquainted y^{e} President, that as he was Salting Porke for the West Coast in the Comp^{s} Garden M^{r} Pitts Cheif Justice of the Choultrey Sent for his Conicoply to the Choultrey upon a complaint made against him for beating of a wild fowle man, and that if the Conicoply were detained from the Salting of the meat it would be spoilt. The President thereupon sent a message to M^{r} Pitts &c^{a} Justices that they Should dismiss the Conicoply to finish y^{e} Salting of the meat, and if they had anything to say to him afterwards, he would be Security for his forthcomeing, the Justices thereupon releast the Conicoply.

The Justices haveing of late Omitted their due attendance at the Choultry and the President haveing enquired the reason thereof, of M^{r} Pitt he answered him that the Justices of the Choultry did not thinke fitt to proceed upon other businesse till that matter of the Conicoply were decided, they esteeming it a diminution of their Authority. The President doeth therefore desire the Councill that they will examine the matter, and make their Report thereof.

Ordered that Pag^{s} 978 : 2 fan^{s} be paid to M^{r} Thomas Wright Provisionall Paym^{r} to defray charges garrison.

Generall letter to Fort S^{t} David of this dayes date read and approved.

NAT : HIGGINSON.

In obedience to y^{e} Hon^{ble} Presid^{ts} Commands M^{r} William & myselfe did examine the buiseness of the Justices of y^{e} Choultry and the Steward & his Conicoply and deliverd the report thereof to y^{e} Hon^{ble} Presid^{t}.

JO : DOLBEN.

The examination of the whole matter was taken in writing and delivered to y^{e} Hon^{ble} President which was all we were to do.

WILL : FRASER.

Delivered a Passe for Boat Meera Modeed bound to Trimlewash. 5
Dispatcht a generall letter to Fort S^{t} [David] of this dayes date.
Ship Diamond Parran Gregory arriv'd from Pegue.

BISHOP OF S^{T}. THOMA'S LETTER TO Y^{E} PRESIDENT.

S^{r}

Wheras I arrived in this place but a few days Since, I had not time to come and kiss your Hon^{rs} hands, to whom I wish long life, and health, for the releif of the Portuguezes who live in theso parts.

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I have advice that Padre Don John whom the Governour my Predesessor placed Vicar of Cuddalore is deceased, and whereas I determine to Send to that church Padre Paulo De Saa who has been there, and to content the English Gentlemen there, I would not doe it without adviseing yor Honr thereof, whom I beleive will approve of my election.

If I am worthy of serving yor Honr I am Ready to obey You whome God keep.

I kiss yor Honrs hands.
FRYER RAYMUNDO DE NAVAIS.

St Thoma
11th Februry 1694.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATTERDAY 7TH

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

A letter to the Bishop of St. Thoma read and ordered to be sent (copy whereof follows after this Consultation).

The Seir Lasscar of the Gingerlee Coast, and his Cheif Braminy Cornu Caulare haveing lately written a letter Inviteing us to Settle at Durampaut, in the Pettipollee Country. It is agreed that letters be written to them both, avoiding a settlemt by complaining of the ill useage of under Governours.

The warehouskeeper delivers a report of Damaged cloth ℔ Ship Princess Anne of Denmarke Severall pieces in 36 bales of Broadcloth and Perpetuanoes are adjudged to be damaged by the Ship besides 19 pieces of broadcloth in 9 bales found to be moth eaten, not to proceed from ship Damage, the outward packings being Sound. The warehouskeepr is Ordered to make as near a Calculation of the Damages as hee can, and make report thereof, that the Same may be charged to the owners account in the Generall Bookes.

The President acquaints the Councill that on the 31 past being informed that Jango Dubash had Spoken threatning words, he ordered Mr Wright one of the Choultry Justices to Send for and examine the witnesses. The President thereupon sent Peons to call Jango, but he made his escape into Trivetore. The President Ordered Timapa Nague, who is the watchman of Trivetore to bring him from thence, and kept him upon the Choultry till now, Said Examination is ordered to be entred after this consultation.

Jango being sent for, and the witnesses examined, did declare as is expressed in Said examination, and offered to take their Oaths thereupon.

NAT: HIGGINSON.

The accusation against Jango was not farther examined, the two Chief witnesses Coragula Paupia & Nagala Peria being reputed persons of an ill fame. } JO: DOLBEN.

The abovementioned of the witnesses against Jango, is truth & has a higher strain of Mallice in it against Jango then any thing else. } WILL: FRASER.

THE PRESIDTS: LETTER TO THE BISHOP OF ST. THOMA.

Reverend Sr.

I recd your Letter dated $\frac{11}{1}$ February, wherein you advise me yt you determine to Send Padre Paulo De Saa in the Room of Padre Don John whom the Governr your Predecessor had placed Vicar of Cuddilore. I acknowledge yor civility in giveing me notice of your determination but admire at your usurpation of an authority which did not belong to your Predecessr nor to yourselfe nor Successors Vizt to appoint Vicars in any place under the English Govermt. You have made a wrong accot and if you would reckon right you must begin again. In this case I ought

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to deal plainly with you that no forreigne Episcopall authority can be admitted within the limitts of our Jurisdiction, and that you are not Gov^r or Bishop of Cuddalore noe more then of Madrasse, but as your Reverence is Bishop and Gov^r of Miliapore, I congratulate your accession to that authority, and desire and embrace your freindly and neighbourly correspondence, in persuance of which I acquaint your Reverence that I have determined to permit Padre Gulielmus Avalle of the Order of the Theatines to reside att Cuddalore, in the Room of Padre Don John de Clerici deceased. I am

Yo^r Freind & Servant
NATH^LL HIGGINSON.

Fort S^t. George,
April 7^th 1694.

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Coragula Paupia declares that on Fryday the 23 Instant Jango came to the Tobacco Godown where he was, and told him that he had offer'd Fivety Pag^s in consultation more then Vincattee did for the Farmeing of the Tobacco licence for the enseuing Year, but the Gov^r being a favourite to Vincattee, hee would not lett him have it, so Jango desired Said Paupia to give his consent to the drawing of a Petition to y^e President and Councill declareing he questioned not but to ruin Derrakisna, and in a little time the President, Saying they were against the Comp^s intrest, but Paupia would not consent to y^e giveing in a petition.

Sign'd by CORAGULA PAUPIA.

Nagala Peria do confess the foregoing to be truth, he being present and likewise Says that Coragula Paupia and he went to Arrua Narrain's house & acquainted him what Jango had Said.

Signed by NAGALA PERIA.

Arrua Narrain declares the foregoing persons came to him, about four or five days agoe to his house, and told him the foregoeing words, who advised not to concern themselves with said Jango.

This Examination taken by
Thom^s. Wright. Signed by ARRUA NARRAIN.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 9.

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOC^T
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

M^r Matt: Empson Prov^ll Sea Customer read his accounts for the months of Novem^br December and January particulars Viz^t.

	PA.	FA.	CA.
NOVEMB^R			
To Acco^t Goods Import^d & Export^d y^t M^o	645 :	20 :	3
Ditto of Grain	26 :	3 :	0
Pag^s	671 :	23 :	3
DECEMB^R			
To Acc^ot Goods Import^d & Export^d y^t M^o	67 :	18 :	2
Ditto of Grain	7 :	3 :	2
Pag	74 :	21 :	4

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JANUARY

To Acco^t Custom of goods Import^d and exported this month		568 :	10 :	1
Ditto of Grain		554 :	18 :	4
Anchorage		20 :	0 :	0
	Pag^s	1142 :	28 :	5

And paid into the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Cash Pag^s 800 on account of Sea Custome, and M^r Matt : Mildmay Pag^s 300 on acco^t Land Custome.

M^r Thomas Wright Prov^ll Paymaster read his Acco^ts for the month of February particulars Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	Pag^s	930 :	3 :	0
Yegmore &c^a Towns	,,	14 :	28 :	0
Charg^s Generall	,,	417 :	35 :	0
Charg^s Merchandize	,,	32 :	13 :	0
Charges Dyett	,,	440 :	6 :	0
Charges Cattle	,,	19 :	0 :	0
Bengall Agency	,,	12 :	19 :	0
Fort S^t David	,,	12 :	35 :	0
Fortifications and Rep^rs	,,	19 :	29 :	0
Acco^t Curr^t London	,,	467 :	32 :	0
	Pag^s	2367 :	20 :	0

Ordered that M^r Wright do pay to the Steward of the Hospitall Pag^s 13 : 5 fan^s being Soe much expended by him in the moneths of December January February and March more then received.

Ordered that one hundred & fiftey three pag^s be paid to M^r Thom^s Wright and Pag^s Fifteen hundred to Timapa and Allingall &c^a Merchants in further part of the late Investments.

The President haveing information of about four hundred Candy of Redwood at Pollicatt, contracted for the same at the rate of 2 p^a ¼ a Candy Pollicatt Pag^s for the cost and charges, excepting the charges of bringing the same ashoare here from y^e Boats in y^s Road, the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Customes and y^e Ris[que] of the sea to be on the Comp^s acco^t which is accepted, and agreed that the President do send Pag^s 900 to Pollicatt to pay for the same, so soon as there Shall be So much in Cash.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

10TH. Ship Hydra Leack arrived from Tennasserree.

WEDNESDAY 11TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that Pag^s 50 be paid Raggia &c^a Washermen for cureing the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Cloth.

M^r William Fraser Warehouskeeper paid into the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s cash Pag^s 100 on acco^t of goods Sold.

Mahomod Yousurph produced an ord^r of the Court of Admiralty dated 31^st March for Pag^s 13 : 22 fanams due to him from Allea Vaudee. It is ordered that the same be paid.

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Generall Letter to Fort St David of ys dayes date approved and Sign'd.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Ship Triplatore arrived from Tennasserry. 11TH.
Dispatch't a Generall lre to Fort St David of this days date.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 12TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Thomas Ogle about three weeks ago galloping through the middle Gate into the town, th'officer acquainting the Govr therewith, Hee order'd him not to permitt him to returne through the Gate in the Same manner, being against the known Rules of the Garrison, But after six a clocke in the evening, he return'd and rid full speed through ye Gate that the Centry who was posted without, and the Corporall who was allso without, had not time to Stop him, but as soon as hee was passed through the Gate called after him, but he refused to come back. The Serjt Francis Hall running after him, he thereupon stopped his Horse beyond the Choultry Gate, and he acquainting him that the Orders were that he should not Gallop through any Gate of the Garrison. He thereupon gave ye Serjt many reproachfull names, and provokeing language, and in discourse Said that if he lighted off his horse, he would trample him to peeces under his Feet and added these words, Tell the Govr from me, that if he has given orders that I shall not ride through ye Gates neither I nor my Horse, will trouble them any more, and rid away full Speed. Thereupon the Govr committed him to the Custody of the Marshall, and being now sent for and denying what alledg'd against him, the officers of the Guard Francis Hall Thomas Page and other wittnesses being examined did attest, and prove the Same, and the Said Thomas Ogle haveing been very insolent in his behaviour, & Scandalous in his life, It is Ordered that tomorrow Morning between the hours of Seaven & eight, he ride the wooden horse, and remaine in Custody till hee finds Security for his good behaviour to ye Judges Satisfaction.

A letter from Mahomod Mahadee Buxee and [Evallanes] at the Camp, and an answer thereunto of this days date read, desireing him to procure Arsemonagues Order for his people to remove out of the Towns, for without that they will not obey the Nabobs order.

Ordered that the warehouskeepr do ꝑvide a Gold Chain to the amount twenty two Pags to be sent as a present to ye Braminy.

And a fine Gunn and pair of Pistolls Invoiced from Bengall at Rupees Sixty nine to the Sier Lasscar of Gingerlee to be sent with the Presidents letters by the mauldar who brot their letters. The reason for these presents are Vizt.

There are Severall Timbers, Brimstone &ca belonging to the Rt Honble Compa lying in Metchlepatam and Madapollam Factories, which the Govr there have hitherto detain'd, therefore 'tis thought a good oppertunity to gett the timbers hither, & the disposeall of the brimstone &ca there.

The Said Braminy lately Sent a Boat hither laden with goods, and wrote to the President desireing his assistance in ye Sale the custome whereof amounts to about twenty Pags and the Servant does declare his master expects that the Custome Should be remitted him but it is thought rather convenient to Send him ye value in a present then to remitt ye Same.

The Seir Lasscar has hitherto been very favourable to our buisiness at Vizagapatam for wch reason 'tis thought convenient to ꝑserve his freindship.

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Generall letter to Mr Noden read & approv'd ordereing him to bring the timbers from Metch[l]eptm and Madapollam Factories hither, & dispose of the brimstone at the best price he could, allso ordering him and his family to repair hither by the first oppertunity.

The Junkanneers haveing stop'd the importing of beetle leaves, It is ordered that the exporting of goods by land be stop'd for the present.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

12. Ship Morning Starr Capt Armiger Gosling Commander arrived in this road from Pegue.

Dispatch't Genll lre of ys days date to Mr Philip Noden.

13. This morning Thoms Ogle according to Yesterdays Order of Consultation, rid the wooden Horse from seaven a clocke till Eight.

Ship Conimere Merchant Ferdinando Manuell Master arrived in ys road from Manilha.

FRIDAY 13TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Matt: Empson Provll Sea Customer paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags Seaven hundred on account Sea Custome and ye Beetle Farmers Pags two hundred & fivety on that account.

Mr William Fraser warehouskeepr read his warehouse and Storekeeprs accounts for the month of January last past.

Ordered that on Monday next the Cheif Merchants be Tashereef'd, which was omitted at Christmas for want of broadcloth and yt at the Same time the Cheif of the Beetle Renters, and Tobacco Farmers do receive a Tashereif as last Year.

Ordered that Pags two hundred & fiftey be paid to Mr Thomas Wright Provll Paymr for defraying Charges Garrison.

There haveing in ten or twelve days past about thirty of the Topass Souldiers deserted the Garrison, the reasons whereof are upon inquiry Supposed to be a groundless Report Spread of a draught to be made for the west coast, and Succadana, and complaints of hard useage received from the officers of the Garrison. It is thereupon Resolved, as the most proper method for their Returne, and prevention of future desertions, and preserving Authority in the Garrison, that notes be fixed upon the Gates of the Citty in the Portugueze language Importing that if they Shall not within ten dayes returne to their duty, their families Shall be expelled the Town, and not ꝑmitted to returne, and their houses be confiscated. In the meantime an intimation given by means of the French Padre, that when there is occasion for a draught to be made for the West Coast, or any other place, the draught of the number assigned, shall be by choise made among themselves.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Ship Loyall Capt William Addams Master came from Bengall by whome Received a generall letter from the Agent and Council dated the 26 Febry 1694 and Duplicates of a Generall letter ꝑ Ship Wellcome dated 16th and 17th Febry last.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY [16TH]

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that Pags two thousand be paid to Timapa and Allingall &ca Cheif Merchants in further part of the last Investments.

Mr William Fraser warehousekeepr paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags Six thousand on Accot [of] Dollers sold.

Mr Edward King being indebted unto ye Rt Honble Company, by Judgement of Court Pags one hundred and twenty, doth offer to assigne a bond payable to him by John Ar[ts] for Eighty pa in part, which is accepted, he giveing a Collaterall bond and he propounds that the remaining Fortey Pags be paid out of his Salary as it Shall become due which is agreed to, not being otherwise in a capacity at present to Satisfie the said debt.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 19TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr William Fraser warehouskeepr paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags Four thousand eight hundred on account [of] Dollers sold.

Ordered that Pags 1556¼ be paid Judge Dolben in discharge of Pags 1500 principall and interest borrowed on a bond dated the 17th November 1693 and Pags 2124 to the Lady Goldsborough in discharge of Pags 2000 Principall and interest borrowed of Sr John Goldsborough deceased.

Ordered that Pags three thousand be sent by Briggantine Dilligence William Rogers master, to the Cheif and Counciil at Vizagapatm.

Mirja Mahomod Shaffia who is lately come as far as Corrapa to be Duan of the Carnattee Countrey, in the room of M[aa]rb D[ar] deceas'd, haveing wrote a letter to the President adviseing his intention to come Suddainly [this] way, but his meaning is that he expects a present, as our Cheif Dubash &ca Servants doe explain it, and his Mauldar wait[ing] for an answer, 'tis resolved to Send him a [letter] of complemt mentioning the buisinesse of the new towns, together with a Small present of Some Rarity to the value of about thirty Pags, It being necessary to gain his freindship, as well with respect to the buisinesse of the Investments, as the settlement of ye new Towns.

The French Padre haveing recd an answer from the Portugueze Runaways at St Thoma whom he had invited to returne, which they peremptorily refuse, or to Serve in this garrison except two things are granted Vizt that Lievt. Seaton against whom they make many complaints for severity &ca be removed, and that they shall never be sent from this place upon any service particularly excepting against the West Coast, whereupon there does arise many queries to be considered.

1. Whether Lievtent Seaton hath been guilty of Such Severities towards the Portugueze Soldrs as may give them Just cause of complaining and runing away, or deserves expulsion.

2. Supposeing he has been Severe or so behaved himselfe as to deserve degradeing, whether it be convenient to lay him aside upon their demand.

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3. Whether there be any just reason to Suspect the French Padre was privy to the Portugueze runing away.

4. Whether it be convenient to send a party from this Garrison to S[t] Thoma and bring the runawayes by Force.

5. Whether it be convenient to bargain w[th] the Portugueze souldiers that they Shall not bee Sent from this place upon Service, or whether a method may not be found out for regulateing the draughts in Such mann[r] as will give better Satisfaction and secure the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] occasions.

6. These Portugueze insisting that there was a promise made them upon their Return from Bengall by Cap[t] Betts, that they should not be sent from hence, it is to be enquired whether the Goverm[t] did consent thereunto.

7. Whether it be not expedient to entertain one hundred Peons more on purpose for keeping Guard at the severall Gates of the Citty, as well as the out watches.

The Governour on the 7[th] Inst. being informed of about twelve Portugueze Souldiers that were then Run away, and that they might som of them hide themselves in their Houses, Ordered the Liveten[ts] on their free guard nights to go the Rounds, & Search the Souldiers Houses, to See whether they were quite deserted; Live[t] Seaton went y[e] rounds y[t] night & found few of y[e] houses quite desert[d] y[e] Sold[rs] wives & families rem[aining] in most of [them] upon w[ch] occasion there was much muttering among the Portugueze for Searching their Houses. And one of the women the next day made a complaint to the judge, that Liveten[t] Seaton had ravished her, and brought her mother and severall other wittnesses to prove it, whose depositions being now read, and Livetenant Seaton sent for pleaded his innocency, alledgeing that he did no more then search the House att which the People are disgusted, and that for a long time the Portugueze have had a Peake against him, for haveing been formerly Instrumentall in bringing Some to Punishm[t] who had drawn the Souldiers from y[e] Garrison, and it is well known to the Presid[t] and others that both formerly, and now, the Portugueze nation have expressed a generall peake ag[st] him, as well for the instance he gives, as his being Active in drawing out the Souldiers when there was occasion for their Service at the West Coast and Retturra, particularly the last draught for the West Coast, wherein y[e] Souldiers drawn out pretending themselves marryed, desired their wives might goe with them, but when they had leave granted, ten of twelve, denyed themselves Marryed, and were only their whores, wherein was a discovery made of the cheat they put upon the Garrison for the sake of the pay advanced to marryed men more then Batchelors. And it is suspected by som that the comp[lt] against him now may be an effect of their Spite. But the depositions of the party and her mother being possitive, for the maintenance of publik justice, It is ordered y[t] the complaint be heard and tryed in y[e] Court of Admiralty and the Attorney Generall assist the Plaintife.

M[r] Foquett Rentall Generall, is ordered to take a surveigh, and make a new list of all the Houses in Town for the Quitt Rents of the Year 1694 according to the rates of the last list.

Pasquall Fereira a Portugueze Soldier alledgeing that his father is lately dead at Negapatam, and desires leave to goe and looke after his Estate promiseing to return in two months, which is granted and a Passport to be given him.

Three or four Mussulas haveing last night come from S[t] Thoma into y[e] road, & it being suspected that some of our Runaway Souldiers may have gone from thence ℘vately aboard a ship bound for Bengall, It is ordered that Serjeant Parker do go off with ten Souldiers, and search the said Ship, &[c[a]] he find[ing] any of our Souldiers to bring y[m] ashore.

M[r] Styleman presenting a paper (as entred next after this Consultation) therein requesting leave to rest some part of his house (which he is forced to rebuild) upon the River wall, and to open two windows towards the River, It is granted he keeping the wall in Repair, and fencing said windows with strong Iron barrs.

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M^{rs} Delgardner offering thirty Pag^{s} for one year for the sole [licence and] liberty of fishing in y^{e} River, and the custome [and] fish taken of the Cattemarans and Mussulas, In consideration that the fish received by our Peon for the use of the Generall Table do's hardly answer the charge, as allso the probabillity of letting it for a far greater sum̄e the next Year. It's ordered that a grant be given her to com̄ence the first of May next prohibiting all persons (except those by her appointed) from fishing in the River with any manner of netts, Reserving liberty of drawing once a month for the Generall table.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TO THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R}
PRESIDENT &C^{A} WORP^{LL} COUNCILL.

Hon^{ble} S$^{rs.}$

My Dwelling house Joining to the town wall next the River is so decayed, that I am forced to rebuild it. Therefore humbly request the favour of yo^{r} Hon^{r} &c^{a} to grant me liberty to rest the end of my Hall (that will be Tarrassed) on Said Town wall, which will be a conveniency to me, and no prejudice to the wall, but Rather a means to Strengthen it. I likewise beg yo^{r} Hon^{r} &c^{as} leave to open two windowes to the River at the end of my Wall, which Shall be Secured with Strong Iron barrs, and for the liberty of so doeing I will be obliged allwayes to maintain and keep in Repair that part of the Wall which my Hall rest on, without pretending any mann^{r} of right to any part of said wall, more then by yo^{r} Hon^{r} &c^{as} permission to rest the end of my [Hall] on it.

Fort S^{t} George
16th Apr^{ll} 1694.

Yo^{r} Hon^{r} &c^{as} Most hum^{ble} Serv^{t}.
JOHN STYLEMAN.

Gave a Passport to Pasquall Fereira for Negapatam.

Briggantine Dilligence William Rogers Master Sailed for Vizagapatam by 20
whom sent a generall letter to the Cheif [and Council] of Yesterdays date and Pag^{s} three thousand.

Ship Armenian Merchant Cap^{t} Newnam Commander arrived from Fort S^{t} David, upon whom M^{r} William Hatsell, M^{r} Thomas Constable, M^{r} Trevor Games & M^{r} George Lewis came passengers, and brought their Gen^{ll} letter dat: 18th Inst. with Invoice and Bill of Ladeing for 37 bales, also their acco^{t} Cash ending March last, & their Stewards account Curr^{t} from October [to March and a list of] freight goods.

ATT A CON [SULTATION] SATTERDAY 21.

P [resent]

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL}: HI[GGINSON ESQ^{R}: PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}:]
JOHN DOLB[EN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE]
M^{R}: WILLIAM FRA[SER] M^{R}: WILLIAM HATSELL.

M^{r} Hatsell in p[ersuance of the R^{t} Hon^{ble}] Camp^{s} Order, as by [the 25th paragraph of their] generall letter of [the 10th of April 1693] tooke his place in Councill.

The Generall le[tter from Fort S^{t} David] dated the 18th Insta[nt read and referred to] further consider[ation].

M^{r} William F[raser Warehouskeeper] paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} [Comp^{as} cash Pag^{s} two] thousand on ac[count of dollars sould].

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[MONDAY 23RD]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

[THE H]ONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT & GOVR
[MR JO]HN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
[MR] WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL.

[Capt Thomas Newnam Commander of ship] Armenian Merchant, produced a [Consul]tation held aboard said ship [the 27th] past signed by himselfe and five [Officers] which contains their reports [of an] examination of sundry wittnesses [relate]ing to Samuel Huxtable Carpenter [bug]gering of his servt Richd Asterly, [where]in the said Richard Asterly does [positiv]ely affirme the fact committed.

[The Co]mmander declares that both ye Carpenr [and hi]s servant are secured in his ship [and ref]errs the manner of proceeding against [him to] us. The judge is desired to consider [and re]port tomorrow morning wht method [are mo]st proper to be taken.

[Doctor] Blackwall having sent severall [papers] and complaining of the severity of [a long con]finement, was sent for & an offer [made] him of releasment upon condition [he gav]e good security that he would not [depart] from the limitts of this place, and in case of his departure to make good what damages may accrue thereby unto the Rt Honble Company, and time was given him to consider of said offer.

The Generall from Fort St David being considered that since they cannot at present make any Contract with their Merchants by reason of the countryes being harrass'd with ye Moor[s] and Morratta Armyes, and most of ye Cotton trees destroyed. It is resolved that ye Investmts at Fort St George and Vizagapatam bee enlarged to supply that defect.

By their accot Cash the last month it appearing that they want Cash to defray Chargs Garrison, It is ordered that money be Remitted them by bills, it not being thought so safe to send it any other way.

They haveing no Chinam to Spare us from the necessary repairs of their Garrison the Pay[mr] is ordered to make what provision he c[an] of limestone burn't, to be Slak'd after it [is] brought into town, for preventing of its b[eing] mixt with Sand and ashes.

Ordered that an Invoice be sent them [for] Slabbs 299 and one Pigg of Lead pz 87 ca: 8 md: [1 lb.] taken out of the Armenian Merchants.

Ordered that the warehouskeeper do [buy] 40 or 50 Candy of Jaggery, and send them by the first oppertunity. Allso to demand Pags 55 of Capt Newnam for an anchor poiz eleven hundred delivered to him at Fort St David, haveing been taken up in that Road, and was belonging to the Bencoolen Friggott to which Ships Creditt it is ordered to be carried in the Generall bookes.

Ordered that Ship Madapollam be debted Pags: 12: 1: 5 now advised to be expended by Mr Constable, together with Pags 412: 13: 4 formerly advised by Said Ship.

Ordered that a licence be given to Padre Gulielmus Avalle, a Preist of the Theatine Order, to officiate at Cuddalore in the room of Padre Joan De Clerici deceased.

The Fort St David Generall bookes are by their Generall letter dated the 18th Instant brought to a balance to April 1693 and the monthly Accots of the Councill brought up to February and March last. Mr Constable being sent for, was discoursed concerning his debt to the Rt Honble Company of Pags 713 mentioned in said generall, and referred to further consideration.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.

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Ship Wellcome Thomas Smith Master arriv'd from Tringombar and Bengall, by whome received two generall letter from the Agent &ca dated the 16th and 17th February last with copys of their Consultations from the tenth of January 169$\frac{2}{3}$ to the thirtieth of Novembr 1693. 23

ATT A CONSULTATION — TUESDAY 24TH

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLM FRASER MR WILLM HATSELL.

Mr William Fraser Warehouskeepr paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 29: 2 fanams on accot of freight of Ship Madapollam from Fort St David hither.

Ordered that the Salary due to the Rt Honble Comps Servants from the 25th March 1693 to ye 25th March 1694 amounting to Pags 1978 : 26 : 5 be paid them. The late Commissary Generalls Salary till the time of his death be paid in Bengall and the following persons Salary carryed to their Credit. Mr Sowdons Six months Pags 23 : 25 : 2 — Daniel Dubois twelve months Pags 40 : 10 : 3 — Edward King twelve mos pa 35 : 20 : — John Foquet twelve months pa 35 : 20 : — Joseph Chapman twelve months Pags 16 : 17 : — in all amot to Pags 151 : 20 : 5.

The Sergeant at Yegmore adviseing that Appogee is comeing with greater Forces to take away the Paddy by Violence, 'tis Ordered that ten musketiers be sent thither, and two small brass gunns, with eight or ten of the GunRoom Crew, all under the Comand of Serjeant Highlord.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 26

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLM FRASER MR WM HATSELL.

Mr William Fraser Warehouskeepr paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 1200 on accot of goods and Silver Sold, and reports that of the Lead ℘ Ship Princess Anne of Denmarke there wants eight slabbs of the number, and 35 : 1 : 10 (cwt. qr. lb.) wanting of the Invoice weight, allso two barrells of Pitch, and two barrells of Tarr, which he reports to have Indorsed on the back side of the Bill of Lading, and that the Commander alledges the Pitch and Tarr was run out and that the lead was hid in the Ballast, whereof advice to be given to Bengall. The warehouskeepr allso reports that in case No F one Soldrs Coat, and in case No G one Granadiers Cap wanting of the No mentioned in ye Invoice.

Ordered that the two bills mentioned in the Fort St David Generall letter dated the 18th be paid Vizt Pags 268 : 26 : 1 to Mr William Hatsell and Pags 750 to Capt Thoms Newnam.

The Judge Reports that Yesterday Livetnt Seaton being brought to his tryall, the bill by the grand Jury was found, but acquitted by the Petit Jury to the Satisfaction of the Court.

Generall Letter to Fort St David dated 25th Instant, ordereing Padre Paulo De Sa[a] removeall from Cuddalore Read & Signed.

Oppertunity not presenting for Remitting of money by bills of Exchange for the present expence of that Garrison, It is ordered that a thousand Pags be Sent by two Peons along with Padre Gulielmus Avalle.

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Henry Barnes* a Dutchman haveing Served four Years in this Garrison, and behaved himselfe well makes his request to be discharged which is granted him, and Collerat† Miller is entertained to Serv[e] in ys garrison for two Years.

Ordered that 37 Fort St David Bales brot from thence by the Armenian Merchant be unladen, allso what Lead remains upon her.

Ordered that the warehouskeepr Steward &ca do cause an Accot of Reall Remaines of goods, Stores, utensills &ca under their charge to be taken by the last day of this month, to be delivered before the last day of May.

The President acquaints the Councill that haveing discoursed Severall of the Comps Servants and Free Merchants concerning the freighting of Ship Armenian Merchant for China they will not consent to give more then Four thousand three hundred Pags for ye use of the ship, there not being a present prospect of raiseing a Stocke large enough to allow more and if that Sume be not accepted they offer to pay Freight for what Stocke Shall be laden according to usuall Rates. It is agreed that the President may conclude a contract with them for four thousand three hundred Pags for the use of the ship on the like termes that the Princess Anne of Denmarke was lett in 1689 rather then to take the Freight, and disburse the charges in China. But if the contract cannot be so concluded, to take freight for a Stocke if the Subscriptions Shall amot to thirty thousand Pags.

The Judge acquaints that he thinkes it necessary to send for the wittnesses ashoare, & take their depositions before he makes his report what methods are most proper to be taken in the case of Samuell Huxtable Carpenter of Ship Armenian Merchant. The Commander of Said Ship is ordered to send such persons ashore for that purpose as have allready given or can give any evidence against him to be examined by the Judge.

NAT: HIGGINSON
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.

26 Ship St Joseph Don Teraleo Commander belonging to the Spaniards Sailed for Manilha.

27 Received a Generall lre from Fort St David dated 23d Inst.

29 Briggantine Acheen Merchant William Legatt Master arrived from Persia, upon which ship came Serjeant Read, and brought a Generall letter from his Excellency Sr John Gayre dated on board the Defence in Tellicherry Road the 4th Instant and a lre from Mr Burnistone &ca at Calicutt adviseing that they had Sent Said Serjt Read by the Generalls order and desired the Presidt &ca to pay Mr Legatt for his Passage.

MONDAY 30.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL.

Ordered that Joseph Lega[t]t a Portugueze Souldier who has Served in this garrison ten or twelve Years be discharged, he desireing it.

Mr: Matt: Empson Provll Sea Customr paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 1600 on accot of Sea Custome.

Mr William Fraser warehouskeeper paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 2130 on accot Silver and goods Sold.

The President read his accot of the Rt Honble Comps Cash for the month of March last the Balance being Pags: 675: 27: [3]. Allso his accot of gold coined

* I.O. copy reads 'Henry De Bames.' † 'Cotteera' in the I.O. copy.

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in the mint for ꝑticular persons for the months of January Nill February Nill March for p^a 11152 coined in the mint 55 : 27 : 3.

Mr John Wessondonck produceing a bill drawn by Mr John Haynes Second &ca Councill of Fort St David dated 23d Instant for Pags 58 : 11 : payable at Six days Sight. Ordered that the same be paid accordingly.

John Hodgson and John Stephenson two of the Gun Roome Crew Requesting to be discharged, It is granted.

Ordered that the new House in the Fort be forthwith built according to a modell now produced and approved, being 110 foot in length and 50 foot in breadth to be built on the East side the Fort at 18 Foot distance from the godown wall, and at equal distance from the north and south walls.

The Paymaster is ordered to employ five Peons for the getting of chinam from all parts near us, and none of the Inhabitants to buy chinam at the Same place, but to be Supplyed therewith by the Paymaster when they Shall have necessary occasion for repair of their Houses.

Ordered that two thousand Pags be paid Mr Daniel Chardine, being borrowed of him on ye 19th February last, payable on demand without Interest.

Mongaras the Braminy of Madapollm Factory haveing been here about two months, and often discoursed about provision of goods in those parts, the Result of his proposeall was Madapollam Longcloth and Salampores fine 2500 Pags [worth] at about 18 or 20 ꝑCent dearer then ye Factory prices and Pags 1600 in Ginghams at or near the Madrass prices, halfe the money to be paid down and the rest in three months and the cloth deliverable at Vizagapatm in December, which is not approved the prices being extravigant.

The Judge acquaints that Jugga a Braminy fellow who was tryed on Saterday last, was found guilty of Robbery & Sentence of death accordingly passed upon him.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.

Delivered a Pass to Sloop Jelpha Merchant Thomas Plumbe Master bound for Pegue.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY MAY 3RD

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WM FRASER MR WM HATSELL.

Ordered that one thousand Pags be paid Mr Thoms Wright Provll Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Ordered that fortey baggs of Salt Petre fine be sent to Fort St David by the first conveniency.

Mr William Fraser warehouskeeper paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 2800 on accot Silver and goods Sold and read his warehouse accot for the month of February last.

Ordered that the warehousekeepr do buy two or three thousand Pags of Rupees for Vizagapatam, as hee meets with an oppertunity it being Supposed that they will grow dearer.

The warehouskeeper reporting that there is but four chest of Dollers, and six chest of Ingotts Remaining, and the President acquainting that he has ingaged to furnish the Freighters of the Armenian Merchant with Dollers att 17 and Ingotts at 17½ Doller weight for 10 Pags without which the voyage cannot proceed, It is ordered that the said Dollers and Ingotts be reserved for that use, the President promiseing to pay into the Rt Honble Compas Cash the amount thereof before the departure of the ship.

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William Read a Serjeant sent out by the Rt Honble Compa upon the Armenian Merchant, and from thence put aboard ye Defence in the voyage, and now come [from] Callicut upon a Country Vessell, the Paymr is ordered to pay him Serjeants Pay from the 4 February last, the time of the Armenian merchants arriveall here the generall haveing so directed in hi[s lre] dated the 4 of April and allso to pay Mr Legatt for his passage as desired by [the] Cheif and Councill of Callicut in the[ir] generall letter dated 9th April last.

The warehouskeepr haveing demand[ed] of Mr Chardine Rups 1040 for freight of [. . .] Bales of broad cloth by the Princesse [Anne] of Denmarke, which he refuses to p[ay] pretending a Ship Damage in his bro[ad] cloth to the amount of 50 Pags. and d[esiring] the same to be deducted from his freight. It is ordered that the Attorney Generall doe enter an action against him for the whole Freight, and if Mr Chardine Shall make appear Ship damage to that amount the Same is to be charged to the Owners Accot.

A grant for fishing in the River & Receiving Custome fish from the 1st May 1694 to the last of April 1695 Sealed and Sign'd (copy whereof follows after this Consultation).

The Judge reports that he has examined Richard Asterly Servant of Samuel Huxly Carpenter of Ship Armenian Merchant John Gibson Carpenters mate, Michll Hutton Caulker, and Tristam Fish Docters mate of Said Ship, relateing to the Buggery committed by Samuel Huxly, on the body of his Said Servt Richard Asterly, by whose depositions his guilt do's so far appear that he ought to be brought to a tryall. But the Fact being committed upon the sea, and to avoid the scandall and reproach of the Nation by bringing an Englishman for so beastly a crime before the Heathen natives, he doeth advise that he be sent to England on board the Said Ship, with the examinacon of the wittnesses, and their recognizances for their appearance. As allso the Capts recognizance to oblige him to prosecute, But to avoid the inconveniences that may happen by his being detained a Prisoner So long in a Small Ship, the Judge doeth designe to send for him ashoare to remaine in the marshalls custody till the Ship Shall Saile for Europe.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.

Locus Sigilli.

[Whereas] Wee the President and Councill of Fort St George, doe grant unto Anne Delgardner the Sole Liberty and Prviledge of fishing in the River adjoining unto the towne, forbidding any other person to catch fish in Said River with any manner of Netts whatsoever, without leave first obtained from said Anne Delgardner, under Penalty of forfeiting their Netts, and Sufferring wht other punishment the Justices of ye Choultry shall thinke fitt to inflict reserving to ye Rt Honble Compa the liberty of fishing there once a month for the use of the generall Table. Wee also grant to the said Anne Delgardner full power and authority to take and receive custome fish of all Cattemarans &ca as has been useually recd by the Rt Honble Company for one Year to commence from the Date hereof, she paying for the same the Sume of thirty Pags Vizt fifteen Pags on the first day of November next ensueing the date hereof, and fifteen Pags on or before the first day of May 169[4], Dated in Fort St George this third day of May Ann Dom 1694.

NATHLL: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRASER.
WILLIAM HATSELL.

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ATT A CONSULTATION TUESDAY 8.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR.
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT.
MR WM FRASER MR WM HATSELL.

The Serjeants of the Garrison being called up, and their Seniority examined George Brown was appointed Ensigne of ye Second Company in the Roome of Alexander Delgardner lately gone to the West Coast, and John Gardner who Served the Rt Honble Compa severall Years at Indapora as Serjeant and Ensigne and came hither with Mr Gibbons not being well capable to discharge the duty of an Ensigne, is Ordered to be a Serjeant for the present according to his standing.

Mr William Fraser read his warehouse and storekeepers accots for the month of March last and paid into ye Rt Honble Compas Cash Pags 4000 on accotof goods and Silver Sold.

The Beetle Farmers paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 250 on that Accot.

Ordered that Pags 2090 be paid to Capt Charles Metcalfe being both principall and interest due upon a bond Dated November the 8, 1693 and Pags 3225 to Nath: Higginson Esqr being both principall and interest due upon a bond dated the 10th day of July 1693.

Ordered that Pags 50 be paid to Raggina &ca washers for accot of cureing Rt Honble Compa cloth.

Ordered that Pags 1061 : 18: be paid John Dolben Esqr being principall and interest due upon a bond dated ye 24th August 1693.

Mr James Sowdon was examined upon a Paper of accusations dated the 7th of April 1692 Sent with the Pacquet ℘ Ship Madapollam, and his answer taken to such part thereof as relates to his accots depending with the Rt Honble Company particularly as to the 58 lb. 1 oz. 7 dwt. lost on the Silver Sent to Tonqueen by the Bencoolen Friggett, and compareing the generall from Yorke Fort dated ye 2d September 1692 and the Generall from Tonqueen dated the 2d December 1692, It does appear that the Silver was weighed in baggs by the Pepper Scales, and Averdupoiz weights of one hundred and twelve pound to the hundredweight, and from thence reduced to accot of pounds Sterling 1856 : 10 : and from thence into Dollers 7426, for which Summe Mr Sowdon has Credited his accot Cash for so much Sent to Tonqueen the 25th Augst 1691.

Secondly the said Sum̃e 7426 Dollers Supposeing them to be weighty Dollers at $17\frac{1}{2}$ [dwt] make ozs Troy about $6497\frac{3}{4}$ which reduced to averdupoiz weight at 51 to 56 makes 7135 ozs or 446lb averdupoiz, So that if they have actually received at Tonqueen $541\frac{1}{2}$lb they have received as much as Mr Sowdon has Credited his Cash for.

Ordered that the Cash Chest be kept in the Secretaries Chamber, being esteemed the most Secure place in this House.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.

Generall Letter to Fort St David dat. ye 5th May with bill of Ladeing and Invoice for 40 Candy Saltpetre fine Sent ℘ [*blank*]. 8.

Received a Generall Letter from Vizagapatm Dated 18th April last, with copys of Consultats from 28th December 1693 to the 5 of Aprill 1694, and their Stewards accots for the months of February and March last, allso an accot of Redwood unladen from Ship Tankred, and the accot of charges for unladeing the same. 9

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THURSDAY 10TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOC^T
M^R W^M FRASER M^R W^M HATSELL.

M^r Matt. Empson Prov^ll Sea Customer paid into the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Cash Pag^s 1300 on Acco^t Sea Custome and M^r John Foquet* p^a 222 : 8 fan^s on Acco^t Quit Rents.

Ordered that Pag^s 1300 be paid to M^r Thom^s Wright Prov^ll Paymaster for defraying Charg^s Garrison.

Francisco Priaman a Portugueze Soldier who came long since from the West Coast Sick, and so has continued unable to doe duty, but has been continued upon the Roll of Souldiers. The Paymaster is Ordered to Strike him out of that Roll, and put him in the list of particular persons.

John Bayly haveing according to y^e custome of the Garrison Rec^d ninety one fanams ℘ month ever Since the decease of his father, who dyed an Ensigne about ten Years agoe, and being now capable of doeing duty was called thereto, but his fond mother refuses to permit him, It is therefore Ordered that his Pay cease.

James Fry is discharg'd from y^e GunRoom Crew.

Ordered that Pagod^s one thousand be p^d to the Merchants in further part of the Investment.

The Warehouskeeper is ordered to lade on board Ship Good Hope (Gregoine Noquedah) belonging to Cojee Gregorie Pag^s three thousand to be delivered to M^r Simon Holcombe Cheif &c^a Councill att Vizagapatam, also two Chest of Rose water, and three chests of Shiraz wine.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
W^M : HATSELL.

10TH Received a generall lře from Vizagapat^m dated the 25^th adviseing that they had receiv^d Pag^s three thousand by Briggantine Dilligence, and had contracted with their Merchants for an Investment of twenty thousand Pag^s to be brought in by September next.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRYDAY 11

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDEN^T & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOC^T
M^R W^M FRASER M^R W^M HATSELL.

Ordered that Matheus Cornele be entred in the GunRoom Crew, and Peter Johnson discharged.

Sheake Abdull Haddee Nocqueda of a Ship which in April 1693 arrived in this place being indebted considerable Summes to Severall in Bengall whereof some came lately hither to make their demands and others Sent their Vaquells, among whome there appears two men Vaqueels of the Cojee of Ballisore, who has wrote to y^e President desireing him to receive his debt and send him a bill on Ballasore Factory for the Same, The said Creditors and Vaqueels, and Nocqueda were Sent for, and a list being produced by the Braminy of the severall debts due from the said Nocqueda, by his bills produced and choped by the Cojee of Ballasore, amounting in all to about eleven thousand Rupees and Five hundred fortey two Pag^s and a halfe, which were now acknowledged by the Nocqueda to be true,

* I.O. copy reads ' Focquet '.

except three or four Small bills of which he had forgot ye amot and the Nocqueda offering to referr all the demands to arbitration of their Cast, the Creditrs who personally appeared consented thereunto, whose debts are but a small part, but the Vaqueels of the Cojee &ca Creditors resident in Ballasore, declared they could not consent thereunto haveing no such Orders from their Masters, but did insist upon either receiving the money demanded, or that the Nocqueda himselfe goe to Ballasore to their Masters, the Nocqueda being asked what he had to make satisfaction for these Debts he answered he had nothing but a ship which was worth about Four or Five hundred Pags. The further consideration of this matter is deferred till monday next.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.

Ship Amity William How Master arriv'd in ys road from Surrat by whom recd a Generall lre from Mr Braborn* from Brinjoan † dat. [12]April 1694 & paprs as ℘ list entred in the copy booke of letters. 11

Dispatcht a generall letter to Vizagapatm of Yesterdays date.

Delivered a Commission to George Brown for to be Ensigne of the Second Company dated the 4th Inst.

Received a generall Letter from Fort St David dated the 7th Instant. 12

Ketch Mochdum Owen Channell master arrived from the Mallabar Coast and brought a generall letter from Mr Braborn dat. [*blank*]. 13

ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 14TH

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCr
MR WM FRASER MR WM HATSELL.

Mr Thomas Wright Provll Paymastr read his Paymasters accots for the month of March particulars Vizt.

Charges Garrison	P. 891 : 14 : 0
Charges Generall	456 : 24 : 0
Yegmore	12 : 13 : 0
Charges Merchandize	25 : 17 : 0
Accot : Currt : London	1 : 4 : 0
Charges Cattle	24 : 2 : 1
Fortifications and Reprs:	20 : 35 : 0
Charges Diett	512 : 14 : 0
Fort St : David	4 : 0 : 0
Ship Madapollam	900 : 10 : 0
West Coast	261 : 18 : 0
Pags	3,110 : 7 : 1

Ordered that the Paymaster advance one hundred Pags to the Brickmaker[s].

Ordered that Pags three hundred be paid to Mr William Hatsell on a bill drawn by Mr John Haynes Second &ca Councill of Fort St David dated the 9th Instant.

Mr James Sowdon haveing produced an accot wherein there is dollers 2112 : 1 due to him, and thereupon the accusations given against him by Mr Kennedy haveing been considered the abatements which will arise therefrom do not appear

* I.O. copy reads 'Brabone'. † I.O. copy reads 'Brimjoan'.

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considerable, and Mr Sowdon alledgeing to us that 882 dollers and 2 soocs part of the said Ballance was actually received by Mr Fleetwood into the Rt Honble Comps Cash, and is the produce of goods Sold by him for Mr Affleck Mr Trenchfeild &ca both which allegations do appear as well by Mr Fleetwoods Cash booke, as a judgement obtained by Mr Affleck in the Mayors Court. It is ordered that the said Dollers 882:2 soocs at the [rate of] 17 for 10 Pags. be paid unto the parties demanding the same of Mr Sowdon, they and Mr Sowdon giveing their Receipts Jointly for the same, and for better certainty 'tis Ordered that Judge Dolben doe fu[r]ther examine the claim of each party, and draw bills on the President for the same.

The warehouskeeper is Ordered to unlade sixty Candy and a halfe of Pepper from on board ketch Mochdum and Mr Braborne adviseing that there is three Candy belonging to the master Shot there within ye hold. It is ordered that the whole be brought [ashoare] into the Rt Honble Comps Godown & weighed and the masters proportion delivered unto him.

The Paymr is ordered to State an accot of what moneys expended on ketch Mochdum for wages and stores.

It is resolved that the Bengll nocqueda Creditors doe Petition the Court of Admiralty for the Ship and man.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
[WM: FRASER.]
WM: HATSELL.

TUESDAY 15TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WM FRASER MR WM HATSELL.

In the contract with the merchants of the 7th August last, there is mention of morees at Pags 39 ℘ Corge, which being the highest Muster the warehouskeepr reports that the greatest part of the cloth brought in by the merchants fall short thereof. Hee is therefore ordered to Sort by No 11 at Pags 35½ and what fall a degree Short of that no to be sorted by No 11 ┿ at Pags 32 and the like order to be observed in ye Sortmt of all the rest of the cloth which falls short of the numbers mentioned in contract, So as to take in all the cloth brought in by the merchants, which is fitt for the marketts of Europe, especially long cloth & Salampores.

The Fort St David generall letter dated the 7th Instant, wherein they refer to us ye Paymt 1657 : 34 : 3 to their Merchants being by ballance due to them for cloth brought in upon their last contract. But they observe that their merchants were obliged under penalty of twenty five ℘ Ct to deliver cloth to the amount of Pags twenty thousand by the last day of Decembr last by which time they had delivered but Pags 4901 : 4 : 4 and they were to deliver but Pags six thousand in fine goods, but had deliver'd Pags 7228 : 11 : 4 as to the first there is no reason to insist upon the Penalty, because the money was not delivered them by us, and as to the fine cloth which they have brought in above their proportion, It is resolved that as soon as the country is Setled, and the merchants can proceed in the[ire] Investmts that they bring in so much course cloth as will make up the proportion of the fine, in the meantime the ballance of this accot not to be paid, but Mr Haynes &ca to pay ym one thousand Pags on accot so soon as we can furnish them with money. They allso write that Padre Paulo De Saa desires to remain in Cuddalore as a private person or at least to have a months time for the finishing of his business and do int[end] that if he be put out of the place, he will goe and dwell at a new town to the southward of Cuddalore barr, But Pad[dre] Gulielmo Avalle in a

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letter to Mr. Hatsell does complain that Padre Paulo De Saa do[es] give him much trouble by publishing feigned orders of the Bishop of St Thoma. It is ordered that a copy of the said letter bee sent to Mr. Haynes and if upon a St[rict] examination they find any truth in it or that Padre Paulo does any otherwise imp[ede] or trouble him, that they order him forthw[ith] to depart the place, otherwise they may p[er]mitt him to stay a month for finishing [his] business, but as to his constant resideing there as a private person tis referred to further resolution according as ye Bishop of St Thoma shall proceed in asserting his authority in placeing Vicars over that church.

Ordered that Nicholas David Frenchm[an] and Martenios Martez Portuguez be discharged from this garrison.

The Warehouskeeper is ordered to de[liver] six or seaven pieces Perpetuanoes at [Pags] 7½ ℔ piece and broadcloth ordinary [two] or three pieces at Pags 20 ℔ piece, to ma[ke the] Soldiers Coats to agree as near as may be with former prices.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
[WM: FRASER.]
WM: HATSELL.

Recd a Generall letter from Fort St David dat. 12 Inst, also a lre from the Honble Laurence Pitt [Esqr] dat. 9 Inst. 15.

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 17TH

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WM FRASER MR WM HATSELL.

Mr William Morrice appointed [searcher] at the Seagate, and ordered to lodge the[re].

Peruseing a Paragraph of the generall from Yorke Fort dated the 28th August relateing to Mr Richard Phrip and [the Yorke] Fort Consultations on the 16th June, [21st July] 15th August and 26th August 1693 with th[eir] letter to Capt Lane dated the 16th June, Mr Phrips Protest against the Rt Honble Compa dated 25th August 1693. Mr Fleetwood &ca answer to Ditto Protest dated 26th Augst 1693 with ditto Phrips paper to the President and Councill here, (which is now order [ed] to be entred in the Booke of Letters Received) it doeth thereby appear that the Govern[our] and Councill of Yorke Fort did make [a] bargaine with ditto Phrip, that if he would assist the Rt Honble Company with the use the ship Northampton for the transport of men amunition &ca to Indapora, they would in consideration thereof furnish him with 100 or 150 Baharr of Pepper. Secondly that the Ship Northampton did goe to [P]riamong under the Orders of the Governour and Councill of Yorke Fort in order to proceed to Indapore, But the Cheif there being disappointed, the Buggesses &ca intended for that Service Refuseing to go to Indapore, So that it was not Mr Phrips fault that the Ship did not proceed further. Thirdly Mr Phrip thereupon demands of the Governour and Councill of Yorke Fort the quantity of Pepper promised him, and they in persuance of their promise do give him an order for receiving the same at [P]riamong and Sillabar, but at the same time by act of consultation refuse to furnish him out of the[ire] godowne at Yorke Fort, notwithstanding which he prevails with Mr Fleetwood to lett him have Sixty baharr out of the Comps godowne, under a referrence to the approbation of the Generall and Councill here, and in case they do not approve thereof to deliver the Pepper here, they paying the Freight and all other charges sd Phrip had been at in procureing it, the question being thereupon put whether they should permitt the said

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Mr Phrip to enjoy the pepper, or to receive it and pay freight and charges. It is resolved to permitt him to keep it for [two] reasons, first because it does appear that he did actually serve the Rt Honble Company [att] the West Coast, on severall occasions Voluntarily, and did in the particular occasion [in]· which the bargaine was made, apply ye [Ship]to the intended Service as long as there was occasion for't, Secondly that the condition on which he received the sixty Baharr of Pepper, leaves it to himselfe to make up ye accot of freight and charges, which by reason of the wages &ca charges occasioned by the Ships long Stay for the Pepper, will make the cost thereof amount to more then the price limitted us by the Rt Honble Compa to purchase.

But by the aforementioned it does also appear that the said Mr Phrip did behave himselfe very insolently, as well by saying that the Governmt of Yorke Fort pick't his pockett, and that he that penned the consultation was a knave &ca as by the scandalous & groundless Protest against the Rt Honble Company dated 25th August, allso that he had severall quarrels with, and a particular peake against Mr Willson then Second, and now Governr and the Said Mr Phrip acquainting us that he is now designed on a tradeing Voyage to those parts, It is considered whether he may be permitted to goe, and referred to next consultation day when he is ordered to attend.

NATH: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.

17 Dispatch't a generall letter to Fort St. David of this date Ordering them to buy one or two hundred * Candy of the best Sort of Indicoe at Pags 14 ℘ Candy.

Received a generall letter from Surratt dated 16th March last.

FRYDAY 18. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WM: FRASER   MR WM: HATSELL.

The President paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags one hundred and Eighty on accot [of] Gold coined in the mint.

Mr Thomas Gullock who came out a Factor in the Rt Honble Comps Service by the Berkeley Castle, haveing been permitted by the late Commissary Generall to goe on a tradeing Voyage into the South Seas in May 1693 in a Small Countrey Vessell belonging to Mr Dolben, Mr Affleck, Mr Trenchfeild, & Mr Pitt and was by his owners designed for the Island of Mindanoa for Spice, He haveing given ym an assurance of procureing it there, wth the liberty of touching on the north part of the Island of Borneo, but Mr Gullock Sailed from Malacca directly to Succadana, where he disposed of part of his Cargoe, and returned hither directly, and brought with him a writeing from the King of Succadana, containing his terms of a settlement, as in the Consult of the twenty second of March, Since wch it does appear that Mr Gullock left there two persons Vizt Charles Allen and Edmd Harris to dispose of the remaining part of his Cargoe.

Mr Gullocke being now Sent for & discoursed concerning the Said writeing of the King, and the persons left there, doeth declare himselfe free from any obligation to the King in behalfe of the Company for makeing any Settlement there, but did only take that writeing as a proposeall to be offered to the Rt Honble Comps consideration, and as to the persons left there that they stayed by theyr own free consent, as does appear by a writeing now produced by Mr Gullocke under Charles Allens hand, and Mr Gullocke requesting leave that he might make

* 'Thousand' in the I.O. copy.

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another Voyage to Succadana to bring back the persons left there, It is granted that he be permitted to goe under such orders and limittations as shall be heareafter thought fitt to be given him.

Ordered that the Warehouskeepr do Ship aboard the Briggantine Thomas & Sarah John Cockroft master, six chests of Shiraz wine for Fort St David.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 21.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WM FRASER MR WM HATSELL.

Ordered that Pags 174: 3 fans be paid to Mr William Addams being for one bill drawn upon us by Mr John Haynes Second &ca Councill of Fort St David dated 8 Instant.

Ordered that Pagds 234: 33: 3* be paid to James Sowdon and Mr Richard Trenchfeild due by the Judge's report from Mr Sowdon to said Trenchfeild for produce of ditto Trenchfeilds goods, and is part of Dollers 882–2 soocs paid by ditto Sowdon into the Rt Honble Comps Cash at Yorke Fort.

Ordered that Pags 520–30 fanams be paid to Mr John Afflecke being both principall and interest due upon a bond dated the 4th December 1693.

The President read his accot of the Rt Honble Comps Cash for the month of April the Balance being Pags 3900–3–3.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.

Gave a Pass to Ship Dolphin Zachariah Stilgoe master bound to Bengall. 21.

Gave a Printed Pass to Ship Success Thoms Gullocke Commander bound to the Island of Borneo.

Dispatcht a generall letter to Fort St David of yesterdays date.

Gave a pass to Ship Chaidarhe Parra Auga[ll] Nocqueda bound to Bengall. 22.

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 24TH

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDENT & GOVERNR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR: WILLM FRASER MR WILLM HATSELL.

Ordered that Pags 20: 23 fans be paid to Mr Barkham Deane in full of his Salary to the time of his arriveall here, which is to be charged to Priaman Settlement.

The President read his mint accot for the moneth of April, the amount of gold coined for particular persons being Pags 26201, Custome at halfe ℔ Cent 131: 3.

Ordered that Pags 1045 be paid Mr Alvarez Da Fonseca, being both Principall and interest due to him upon a Bond dated the 21st November 1693

Mr William Fraser read his Warehous and Storekeepers Accots for the moneth of April.

Ordered that Mr Thomas Wright doe go aboard Ship Armenian Mercht tomorrow morning and muster their men.

* '4' in the I.O. copy.

[24TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1694*——

A contract between the President and Councill and Mr Richard Trenchfeild &ca Freighters for the Freightment of Ship Armenian Merchant to China, read, approved and Signed as entred next after this consultation.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.

Contract and Agreement made by & between the President and Councill of Fort St George for account of the Rt Honble English East India Company, and Richard Trenchfeild &ca Freighters for the Freightment of Ship Armenian Merchant burthen two hundred and fortey ton or thereabout Capt Thomas Newnam Commander, now rideing in ye Road of Madrass, according to Charterparty made between the Rt Honble East India Company and her owners in England dated the fifth of December 1692, which said Charterparty with and every its Tonnage [and] Priviledges under obligations, Wee the said President and Councill do assigne and make over unto the said Richard Trenchfeild &ca Freighters to have the sole ladeing [and freightment thereof to the Port of Amoy in China or anny other port adjacent for the consideration and summe of 4100 Pagods of Madrass, to be paid by the said Richard Trenchfield &ca freighters to the said President and Councill or theire Successors within 30 dayes after the next arrivall of said shipp to this Port, or anny Port or place on this Coast of Choramandell where she shall breake bulke. Its also agreed that the aforesaid freighters are and shall be att all charges of measureing, presents, &ca, that shall be demanded, or may happen dureing the said voiage, and that she be dispatcht from China by the tenth of December next ensueing the date hereof, and in case of any Casualty or Misfortune should happen in theire Trade in China, then the Commander hath liberty to stay till the 20th December and noe longer on any account whatsoever the said Freighters allowing and payeing her Charterparty demorage for soe many dayes as the shipp shall be detained there after the said tenth day of December, the said shipp being now in readiness to saile from hence ; in witness whereof wee the President and Councill for account and behalf of the Rt Honble English East India Company doe hereby oblidge ourselves on the one part, and Richard Trenchfeild &ca freighters for themselves, Heires, Executors, and administrators on the other part haveing hereunto interchangeably sett our hands and seales att Fort St. George in the Citty of Madrass this 24th day of May 1694.

RICHARD TRENCHFEILD.
DANIELL CHARDINE.
THOS : NEWMAN. *
THOS : WRIGHT.
MATT : EMPSON.
WM : BROWSE.
ROBT : MASFEN.
MATT : MILDMAY.
ANTHO : PENNISTONE.

Shipp Youmboule Merchant Stephen Williamson Master arrived in this Road from Surratt from whence they came the 29th of April att which time the Generall was not arrived. Delivered a Pass to boat Badewoodaumbaugh belonging to Muttemar.

25TH Received a Generall letter from Vizagapatam dated the 7th Instant with Coppy of theire contracts with their Merchants for Pagds 20,000 to be brought in by the last of September 1694.

26TH Received a Generall letter from Vizagapatam dated the 9th Instant with generall letters from Bengall and Ballesore dated the 5th of Appril and the 18th ditto.]

* 'Newnam' in the Madras Record office copy.

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ATT A CONSULTATION SATTERDAY 26TH

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOV^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOC^{T}
M^{R} WILL^{M}: HATSELL
M^{R} WILLIAM FRASER *Sicke.*

The Generall letter from Bengall dated the 5th April last adviseing the arriveall of the Princess Anne of Denmarke, and that they have Six thousand maund of Saltpetre, and three hundred Bales now ready, besides permissive goods, and that they Suddainly expect four thousand maund of Saltpetre more and that they intend to dispatch the Princess hither in August next filled up wth provisions. They advise that the Stop on trade is not yet taken off.

By the same Pattem^{r} rec^{d} a letter from M^{r} Stanly &c^{a} at Balasore, adviseing y^{e} arrivall of Ship Hawk in Ballasore Road. With which letter came letters from Francis Willcox belonging to the Interlopers Ship, adviseing that they did intend to dispatch Said Ship in November next.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
W^{M}: HATSELL.
WILL: FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 28TH

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T}: & GOV^{R}:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R}: JUDGE ADVOC^{T}:
M^{R} W^{M} FRASER M^{R} W^{M} HATSELL.

Ordered that Pag^{s}: one thousand be p^{d} to M^{r} Thomas Wright Prov^{ll} Paymaster to defray charges garrison.

M^{r} Thom^{s} Wright reports the muster of Ship Armenian Merchants Company to be fiftey one Seamen all able men.

Generall letter to Fort S^{t}. David of y^{s} Date read and Signed, with a bill for Pag^{s} 1081: 20 Indorsed by the President to M^{r} Jn^{o} Haynes Second &c^{a} Councill to be paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble}: Comp^{as}: Cash.

John Campbell a drunken fidler of y^{e} Gun Room requesting to be discharged, it is granted.

Ordered that Pag^{s} 294: 4: 3: be paid to Cap^{t} Thomas Newnam Commander of ship Armenian Merchant, being for five hundred Dollers payable to Ditto Ship on Charterparty, on his request, copy whereof is entred after this consultation.

The President paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Cash Pag^{s} 19793: 12: 3 in persuance of the Consultation of the 3 Instant, being for Dollers and Ingotts delivered him by the warehousekeep^{r} as by his acco^{t}. dated the 22^{d} Instant.

Ordered that Pag^{s} 3225 be paid y^{e} Presid^{t} on a bond dated 10th July 1693 for Pagod^{s} 3000 with the interest and Pag^{s} 4127: 24: 3 on a bond dated 24th February 169$\frac{3}{4}$ for pag^{s} 4032: 32: 4 with the interest, and Pag^{s} 755 borrowed of him the 24th February payable on demand.

Ordered that Pag^{s} two hundred be paid to Judge Dolben on a bill drawn by M^{r} John Haynes Second &c^{a} Councill of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 24th Instant.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
W^{M}: HATSELL.

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[23TH] May it Pleas[e] Yor Honr &ca Councill.

I desire you please to supply me with the five hundred Dollers wch are specified in the ship Armenian Merchants Charterparty, for furnishing the said ship with Victualls and necessaries.

Honble &ca Srs
Yor most Humble Servt:
THOMS: NEWNAM.

Madras
28 May 1694.

28. Received a generall letter from Fort St. David dated the 24th Instant.

WEDNESDAY 30TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

TO THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCT
MR: WILLIAM FRASER MR: WM: HATSELL.

The Contract between the President and Councill, and the freighters of Ship Armenian Merchant dated the 24th Instant exchanged and the Ships Charterparty delivered to ye Freighters to go on, and returne with the Ship.

Orders to Capt. Thoms Newnam Comand'r of Ditto Ship Approved Signed & delivered to him, as entred after this Consultation.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.

TO CAPTAIN THOMAS NEWNAM
COMMANDER OF SHIP ARMENIAN MERCHANT.

[Whereas wee have in behalf of the Rt. Honble Company lett to freight the ship Armenian Merchant unto Mr. Richard Trenchfield &ca Freighters on a voiage to Amoy in China under certaine termes exprest in one Contract dated the 24th Instant (copy whereof is now delivered to you) wee doe hereby order you to sett saile upon receipt of theire dispatch, and dureing the terme of the said contract and the shipps charterparty to follow such orders as the said freighters or persons by them appointed to manage theire buisinesse shall give you conforme to the said contract and the shipps charterparty. Wee have assigned to them dureing the voiage all privilidges and rights which by vertue of the shipps charterparty are belonging to the Rt Honble Company, declareing you lyable to answer all such damages as shall arise from your failure in observance of said orders, and Wee request you to treat civily such Persons as the said Freighters shall appoint suppercharges or passengers in the voiage, and in China take due care to prevent troubles from the Govert. which useally arise there by disorderly carriage of shipps company. You find in the said contract that the utmost time of staying in China is limitted to the 20th of December next and if the said superchargoes shall not have delivered you saileing orders for your departure on or before the said 20th of December, Wee doe hereby order you not to stay beyond that time, but to depart then from Amoy and to make the best of your way for the speediest attaining this Port, makeing no unnecessary stay by the way where when you shall arrive wee intend (God willing) to lade and dispatch your ship forthwith for England.

You being by Commission from the Rt. Honble. Company dated the 10th of April, 1693, authorized and ordered to make seizure of such English shipps and vessells their ladeing and all Englishmen that you shall meet tradeing without the Companyes licence in any port or place in India or elsewhere within the

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limits of theire charter and to carry them to some place where there is a Court of Admiralty, and the Rt. Honble. Company haveing also long since ordered that all shipps tradeing into the South Seas shall take a certaine printed Pass (one whereof wee now deliver you) whereby it may be knowne that the said shipp do trade there with theire licence, which orders hath been so long published in India that it cannot be unknowne to all Englishmen resideing in India, so that if you meet with any shipps in the South Seas that hath not the said Pass belonging to the English, it's to be taken for granted that the said shipp doth trade without the said licence. Wee doe therefore acquaint you that wee have been credibly informed that there is a shipp belonging to the English sailed from Surrat for China, but cannot give you an account of the name of the shipp nor of the master nor men that saile in her, and require you to execute the foresaid commission in case you meet with the said shipp in your voiage or any other shipp belonging to the English tradeing into the South Seas without the said pass, and further wee order you to take out of any shipp or vessell which you shall meet with in the voiage anny Englishmen found therein which have not passes useually granted by the Generall Presidents or Agents, and bring them with you to Fort St. George haveing due regard not to violate the ports of friends.

Shipp Morning Starr, Captain Armiger Gosling Commander, being likewise bound for China from hence, we recommend it to you as our advice that you agree and advise with the said Commander the course of saileing, soe long as he shall see cause to keep company with you, but wee doe not understand anny reason for your giveing him saileing orders, or requesting him to keep you company by vertue of the Kings Jack being a merchantman under orders from his owners in tradeing voiages. Wee wish you a good voiage, and dated these in Fort St. George this 30th day of May, 1694.

NATHLL: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRAZER.
WM. HATSELL.

Shipps Dolphin, Welcome and Happy Returne sailed for Bengall. 30.

This morning Captain Thomas Newman, Commander of the Shipp Armenian Merchant, Mr. Richard Trenchfield and Captain Anthony Pennistone supra cargoes of ditto shipp tooke theire leave of the President, and went aboard, and about twelve a clock the Armenian Merchant and Morning Starr sett saile for China. JUNE 1.

Shipp Experiment, Captain Brennock Commander, arrived in this Road from Callicut.]

ATT A CONSULTATION [MONDAY 4TH.]

Present

THE HONBLE NATH: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM HATSELL
MR WILL: FRASER [*Sicke*].

[Ordered] that Mr Thomas Wright do [deliver] all papers relateing to the Estate of James Wattson deceased by list to Mr Tho: Constable, who is Ordered to examine the accot, he being a relation of the deceased's and make a Report thereof on Thursday next.

Ordered that Pags 52:10 fanams be paid to Mr James Sowdon and Mr John Affleck, being for Ryalls $\frac{8}{8}$ Eighty, and seaven Eights due by the Judges report from Mr Sowdon to Mr Affleck, being for the produce of goods sold, jointly belonging to Said Affleck and Capt Tuer deceas'd, & paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash at Yorke Fort by Ditto Sowdon.

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Mr Matthew Empson Provll Sea Customer paid into the Honble Comps Cash Pags 1700 on accot Sea Custome and Mr Matt: Mildmay Provll Land Customer Pags 350 on accot Land Custome and read his accots of the Land Custome for the month of April last ℘ticulars Vizt

Choultrey Custome	Pags	136 : 14 : 55
Triblecane Custome	„	0 : 3 : 15
Rubie Broakers	„	56 : 4 : 0
Town Conicoply	„	3 : 32 : 12
Cloth Broakers	„	17 : 18 : 38
	Pags	214 : 0 : 40

Mr Thomas Constable paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags Five hundred in part of his debt due to the Rt Honble Company att Fort St. David on accot Land Custome.

Ralph Berwick Dutchman is entred a Souldier in this Garrison from the 28th past, and James Bunnell Frenchman and a relation of Mr Chardin[e] is discharged at his request paying Pags 56 unto the Paymaster.

Letter from the President to the King of Succadana of this Date read & approv'd, allso Orders to Capt Gullock in persuance of the resolve of Consultation of ye 18 Inst.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
Jo: DOLBEN.
WM: HATSELL.

6. Ship Success Capt Thomas Gullocke Commandr Sailed for Succadana Ship Curtana belonging to the Armenians arrived in this Road from Surratt.

THURSDAY 7TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM HATSELL. MR WILLIAM FRASER *Sicke.*

The Beetle Farmers paid into the Rt Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 250 on that account.

Ordered that John Frisenhaugen * bee entertained a Souldier in this Garrison for one Year.

Ordered that Pags 129 : 21 : 3 be paid to Judge Dolben, whereof 108 is for interest due upon a bond dated 6th June 1693 for 1200 Pags the money of Benjamin Bloome deceas'd and Pags 21 : 21 : 3 on a bond dated 4th May 1693 for Pags 240 the money of Violante Tuttee. Allso Pags 155 : 30 to Meirza Mahomod Vaqueel to Meer Mahomd Savdick being so much due to him from the Estate of Allea Vaudee deceas'd as appears ℘ order of the Court of Admiralty dated 30th May last and now produced.

Ordered that Jacob Joseph Dutchman be entertained as a souldier in this garrison for one Year and George Jacob for Five years.

Eight of the Topass Souldiers who went to Retturra in October last, haveing left their Order for the payment of halfe their wages to their wives, which has been promised to be paid them on advise from Mr Braborne &ca He haveing failed to take any notice thereof in his last generall letter. The Paymaster is ordered to pay them one moneths wages, which amounts to Pags 11 : 30 for their prest Supply, and advice thereof to be given to Surat that care may be taken at Retturra that the said Souldiers receive but halfe of every months Pay.

Ordered that Pags Six hundred be paid to Mr Thoms Wright Provll Paymaster for defraying Chargs Garrison.

* 'Fusenhawen' in the I.O. copy.

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Generall letter to Vizagapatam dat. 4 Inst. and a generall letter to the Cheif & Councill of Pollicatt of this days date read & approved.

Mr John Pitt representing to us that he has lately mett with losses to the impairing of his fortune, and haveing a family is obliged to provide for them, and therefore desires liber[ty] to take a voyage to Bengall, and that his absence may not prejudice his Standing in the Rt Honble Comps Service, but at his returne may have employment accordingly. It is resolv'd that this answer be given him at present yt he may go any other Voyage but to Bengall.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WM: HATSELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 11TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLM HATSELL MR WILLM FRASER *Sick.*

Ordered that Pags 2102 be paid Mr John Styleman on a bond dated 17th Novembr 1693 for Pags 2000 with the Interest.

Mr Richard Phrip haveing delivered a paper dated the 21st May last (hereafter Copied) wherein he declares Mr Fleetwood did encourage him in Protesting against the Rt Honble Company at Yorke Fort, which Mr Butterfeild who was then there doth declare was his opinion, and that both he and Mr Willson had an apprehension that Mr Fleetwood did designedly worke a difference between said Phrip and them, Mr Phrip allso declareing that he was freinds with Mr Willson before he left ye place, and Judge Dolben who is one of his owners assureing us that the Ship goes consigned to Mr Willson and that in the Orders given Said Phrip by his owners he is Strictly injoin'd to pay due respect to the Rt Honble Comps Servants there, and give them assistance as occasion Shall require. It is resolved that he may proceed on his intended Voyage for the West Coast, he retracting his Protest and giveing bond for his good behaviour.

Mr Thomas Wright Provll Paymaster read his accots for the month of April last particulars Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pags	689 : 20
Charges Generall	„	581 : 10
Charges Cattle	„	18 : 19
Fortifications & Reprs	„	21 : 3
Charges Merchandise	„	7 : 18
Yegmore &ca Towns	„	7 : 31
Charges Diett	„	462 : 16
	Pagds	1787 : 35

Ordered that the warehouskeeper doe lade Four Hogsheads of Double, and two of single stilled Goa Arrac, and two Chests of Sheraz wine on Ship Northampton for Yorke Fort, Freight to be paid there at three Dollers a Hogshead, and one Dollr and a halfe a Chest.

[Ordered that Mr Thomas Wright Provisionall Paymaster do pay Pagods 140 to Mochdum Minoes Servants Raja Mahomed in part for the hire of Ketch Mochdum and the remainder being Pagods 60 is ordered to be paid by Mr Hatsell &ca. att Fort St. David.

The Paymaster on the 7 Instant being ordered to pay the wives of 8 Topass souldiers who were sent to Rettura each one one months pay, He now produces

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[11TH] a list of seaven others who received noe writeing from their Husbands, but are in the same necessity of a supply to prevent theire starving or begging, he is ordered to pay them pago^{ds}: 8: 16: the whole summe payable to 15 being Pago^{ds}: 20: 10:

A Generall letter from the cheife and Councill att Pollicatt with Pago^{ds} 11: 17: ¾ being for soe much disbursed for sloops Pouloor and Utisgen by the Paymaster and is now repaid him.

NATH: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
W^{M}. HATSELL.

I the subscriber doe declare that the reason of my difference with M^r Wilson was as here undermentioned: the same day that I received the copy of Consultation wherein they deny me Pepper, the said M^r Wilson did invite me to drinke a glass of wine telling me now they had satisfied me and I should have my desires, but when came to receive the copy from the Secretary I found that he had deceived me, so that being very much disatisfied went to his Chamber door where he smiling scornfully in my face asked me have I like[d] it, to which I did answer (the Secretary having before tould me that it was M^r Wilsons doeings) it was Knavishly penned, upon which he being in a very great passion confirmed what was before tould me by the Secretary, calling me severall scandalous Names, and did further tell me that if I did not imediatley make my escape out of the Fort he would put me in Irons, as for my saying there the Government picked my pocquett, it was thus when I asked M^r Wilson the reason why he proceed thus and would not grant me pepper, he tould me they had orders from the Fort to keep all the pepper for the Shipp Sampson and therefore could not break theire orders, to which I answered then they did as good as pick my pocquett in regard they received this order before they made their contract with me, he declareing upon his word that I should have the first pepper and when I was called up before the Gov^r. and Councill to answer to what was laid to my charge by M^r Wilson I did then declare that I had made no reflections against anny Persons but M^r Wilson, and that I should be as ready to serve the Company as formerly which I afterwards verified, yet notwithstanding as a Punishment for haveing words with Mr Wilson, was most disgracefully turned out of the Fort among the black People so that was forced to travaile downe to the Shipp which lay att Syllebar, tho but newly recovered of a severe fitt of sickness, as for the Protest, I drew against the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company, I did when I found I could gett noe Pepper apply myself to Mr. Fleetwood to his advice what to doe in the extremity was reduced to, who tould me if I did Protest he must answer it, and what he did not approve in the Counter Protest he would object against, he declareing he was ever willing I should have Pepper. When I had write the Protest I shewed it to him before my delivering of it, and he read som part of it, but being interrupted by somebodys comeing returned it me againe but wither or noe he proposed Protesting first I cannot say but am well assured he shewed noe dislike of it declareing himself in these words sayeing Phrip tho hast been much abused, but I believe will gett satisfaction and after his signing the Counter Protest did say he did realey believe Mr Wilson did speake these words relateing to the verball contract.

I doe likewise declare that before I sayled for this Port Mr. Wilson and I were reconciled and verry good friends, and the night before my sayleing dranke to me in the presence of Mr Fleetwood and severall others, sayeing he was verry sorrey wee had ever anny difference, declareing it was none of his fault nor mine but that others had made it theire buisiness to sett us att variance with one another but for the future he would be more cautious, to the truth of which declaration I have sett my hand, and am ready to make oath when required, dated in Fort St. George this 21st of May 1694

RICHARD PHRIPP.]

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[ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY 12TH.

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM HATSELL.

Mr Constable haveing informed the President last night that others of the Councill of Fort St. David, were as much guilty of the same faults charged upon him, but that they are connived att, and that Mr Hatsell himselfe was guilty of the same faults and he could prove it, he was this day sent for and desired to informe us what he knew concerning anny of theire wronging the Rt: Honble: Company, which he did promise to doe after his returne from Fort St. David, but att present does alleadge that Mr. Hatsell did cause a considerable quantity of goods to the amount of 5 or 6,000 Pagods to be Shipped in February last which was not brought to the Choultry to be valued, and noe land Custome paid for the same on the 19th of Appril, when they came up to Fort St. George.

Mr Hatsell does owne that he caused about 5,000 Pagods. worth of goods to be shipped of on board the Spannish shipp, being cloth sould to the Spaniards, in the prize whereof he received 2½ per cent of the buyers in consideration of the land Custome, and that the buyeing and bringing it in and shipping of the goods was managed by his servants wholeley, to whome he hath always given strick orders of payeing the Rt. Honble. Company theire full dues, and knows nothing to the contrary but that the cloth was carried to the Choultry, and valued as they ought to be, and the Custome paid, and his reason to believe it paid, because he thinks his Conicoply has accompted to him for the Custome paid by an account thereof stated by the said Conicoply. Mr. Constable being asked whether he did attend himselfe in the Months of February and March last to take an account of goods brought in, to which he answered, that he did enquire of all the Choultrey Conicoplies, before he came away, and they all denyed to know annything of the goods being brought to the Choultrey nor did he ever given anny Chittee for any part thereof to the Sea Customer as he remembers. Mr Constable being asked whether he did not know nor heare of those goods being carried to Chellumbrum without being brought to the Choultrey dureing the time of theire comeing in, he answered he did not know nor heare anny thing of it till, about the middle of March, when Mr Hatsell made up the accounts with the Spaniard, and that he being in the roome att the same time did aske Mr Hatsell for his Fees.

NATHLL: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM HATSELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 13TH.

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL

Upon the matter of the last consultation its resolved :

That the carrying of goods to private houses or godowns, without first carryeing them to the Choultery to be valued by the Land Customer, is irregular, and if it be true that Mr. Hatsell did actually order, Contrive or connive att such a Method he is greatly blameable. If it was done by his servant without his order

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or knowledge, both he and the land Customer ought to have knowne it, and particularly the land Customer, whose buisiness it is to looke out and prevent such practices, and when knowne to make complaint thereof in Consultation, which Mr Constable omitted, and as Mr Hatsell sayes never acquainted him with anny part of it, nor demanded the money, tho Mr Constable does owne to have been acquainted with it in the middle of March which was a Month before they left Fort St. David and the Sea Customer is justly blameable also for passing the goods without Chittees from the land Customer, and it is ordered that the next Generall letter to Fort St. David order an enquiry to be made by Mr Haynes, Mr Ingram, Mr Montague, and Mr Barwell, and theire report remitted to us upon the following vizt:

1. Whither Chellumbrum (Mr. Hatsells servant did cause a great quantity of goods to be imported privately into towne without bringing them to the Choultrey to be valued and without the land Customers knowledge

2. Whither the land custome of those goods be paid, and when, and by whome, and when the account of the value was taken.

3. By what Method the same was valued.

4. Whither the Sea customer did actually pass the goods when shipped off without the land Customers Chittees.

Mr Constable being charged by the Fort St. Davids generall letter dated the 18 of Apprill last with two things vizt. omitting to bring in his Monthly land Custome accounts in due time, and not payeing into the Rt Honble Companys Cash money received by him on account land custome amount to Pagods. 713 whereof Pagods.180 was received by him as found in the Months of September, October, November, and December, but not brought to account, and the rest of the money for the Months of March and Apprill received by Mr Constable but not paid, and Mr. Hatsell does further declare that on the 16th of Apprill they demanded the money of him in Consultation, which he refused to pay there, but said he would pay it in Fort St. George, and thinking the true reason was, that Mr Constable had otherwise made use of the money and therefore could not pay it and gives two reasons for his oppinion, first the Conicoply has confessed that Mr. Constable demanded and received of him some money to pay a summe he owed Mr Pitt, Secondly Mr Constable in March last made the like difficulty in payeing P. 462: f. 1: the amount of the land Custome for the Months of November, December, January and February last thereof nothing was paid in, notwithstanding the Deputy Govrs frequent demands, till the money being demanded by Consultation by 200 Pagods and the remainder all severall payments vizt. 23 of March, 5th and 16th of Apprill.

Mr. Constable haveing been severall times discoursed does answer. That the reason of his delayeing bringing in the account was his owne sickness, and want of assistance, dureing which time the Conicoply tooke the account of the Choultrey. As to the 180 Pagods he received as a fund of 2 Merchants who were makeing Investments in Cloth, and theire account not being finished was the reason why he did not pay into Cash.

As to the 533 Pagods: its money received by the Conicoplies for the Month of March and part of Apprill, of which Months the accounts are not entered by him and that when the Deputy Governor and Councill demanded the money of him in Apprill he did then offer to pay in Pagods: 450, and the rest when the accounts were agreed by himself with the Conicoplies, and entered in the bookes, but after he had made the said ôffer the Deputy Governor dismist him from the Councill (without order as he supposed) he thereupon refused to pay it there and declared he would pay it att Fort St. George. Mr. Constable being asked whither att the time of offering the said 450 Pagods: he did make a tender of the money in Consultation or had it with him, he answered that he did not make a tender of the Money, but had Creditt for soe much in Fort St David, and being asked where that money was att time, he answered part in his Scrutore and the rest he could

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have credit for of one either in the Fort or att Cuddalore, being asked how much he had in his Scrutore, he answered about 145 or 150 Pagods: Being asked where the rest was, he answered he could not tell, being asked whither he had received the said summe of 713 Pagods: or thereabouts he answered he thinkes he received about 500 Pagods:

Mr Constable does deny that ever he received anny of the Rt. Honble. Companyes money from the Conicoply to pay a summe away to Mr. Pitt. The foregoeing being read to Mr. Constable he was desired to observe anny thing that he thought was not truely and impartially represented, and he made noe objection against it.

Whereby it does to plainley appeare that he did imploy the Rt. Honble. Companyes money to his owne use, and therefore he is ordered to repaire with Mr. Hatsell to Fort St. David, and adjust his land custome and Storekeepers accounts and pay the ballance into the Rt. Honble. Companyes Cash there, but dureing his stay there not to have place in Councill, nor any other employ, but the finishing his account and when that is done to repaire hither, where the Rt Honble. Companyes orders relateing to the case are to be considered.

The Merchants haveing been engaged in many buisy differences among themselves and pretended attendance upon the Court for 2 or 3 Months past have hitherto avoided tho' often proposed either to take of anny Europe goods, or to make anny further contract for provision of goods against September, now being demanded to give a direct answer, how much they will undertake to provide, theire last resolution after many evasive arguments alleadged to avoide anny further undertakeing is to provide Pagods. 8000 in Callicoes over and above the amount of the last contract in August, 1693, to be ready embaled by the 25th of September next, tho sorts and prizes according to the said Contract, the course Neckcloths mentioned in the said contract are to be att the rate of 35 Neckcloths att one Pagod. according to Muster agreed this day to be one covid broad and three Covids long, the red stripes att the ends and sides to be according to Muster, and as they was made for the last three yeares, and to be paid in money Pagods 2000 in hand and the rest as they call for it. Ordered that Pagods. 2000 be paid to the Fort St. George Merchants on account of the Investments so soon as they shall have signed a writeing for the above agreement and Pagods. 2000 sent to Fort St. David in charge of Mr. Hatsell when he goes thither, and the remainder of the Cash to be sent to Vizagapatam by Briggantine Achein Merchant Robert Masfen master att ½ per cent. Freight haveing promised (tho' bound to Bengall) to touch there on this occasion, but in case of his over-shooting the Port, he is to send the money to the Factory by the Vizagapatam Peons, which take theire passage on him for that purpose, the money to be put up in long baggs for carriage, and the baggs all sealed and made up in one chest, which the said Master is to have order to open in case he overshoots the Port, also one Cask single stilled Goa arrack, and one of double stilled Goa arrack and 2 bales of sugar.

The Paymaster is ordered to deliver Mr. Hatsell Pagods. 60 to be paid by him in Fort St. David to Mochdum Nino in full for the use of his Ketch Mochdum to Retturra, the Paymaster haveing already paid Pagods. 140 on that account, Mr Hatsell is to send us Mochdums Ninoes receipt in full.

Ordered that a Silver Tumbledon be delivered to Mr. Hatsell for the use of Fort St. Davids Factory, and to be so charged pz. oz. 28. 11dwt. att 516 per oz. and 200 Flints.

William Gee, a Portuguze souldier, who has served 30 yeares in this garrison is on his request discharged.

NATLL: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRAZER.—
WILLIAM HATSELL.]

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THURSDAY 14TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOV^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOCATE.
M^{R} WILL^{M} FRASER M^{R} WILL^{M} HATSELL.

M^{r} Richard Phrip in persuance of Consultation of the 11th Instant delivered his bond and retractation* of his protest at [Yorke Fort] (the latter of which is ordered to be entred after this Consultation) and had his Pass Sig[ned].

M^{r} Matt: Empson paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Cash Pag^{s} 1100 on acco^{t} Sea Custo[me].

Vincatteputte paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} [Comp^{s} Cash] Pag^{s} Seaven hundred being for three mo[nths] due for the farme of the Tobacco & Ganjee [ending] the 22nd past.

Ordered that Pag^{s} 233 : 12 fan^{s} be paid [to] M^{r} Thomas Wright Prov^{ll} Paymaster for charges Garrison.

The merchants refuseing to Signe the agreement aforewritten, pretending diffic[ulties] in the procureing of Severall Sorts, so y^{t} ca [nnot] be obliged to a certain quantity, but offer [to] bring in some other sorts in the roome thereof. It is ordered that the money ordered to be paid them be sent to Vizagapatam, our merch^{ts} being So engaged in Law suits & Controversies amongst themselves, that we can expect no performance from them.

Ordered that the Storekeep^{r} do receive & pay for 55 Pegue timbers and 262 Planke bought at the Morning Starrs outcry for Pag^{s} 469 : 9 as by the acco^{t} now delivered in being bought cheaper then can be hereafter expected, and will be necessary for the buildings of this place and Fort S^{t}. David.

It is resolved as the best expedient to Secure the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} from dammage by Docter Blackwalls late rash undertakeing and engagements to the Moors that hee be Sent to England by the first Ship, unless he Shall rather choose to go and live at Bombay and the Generall approve thereof, and the Secretary is ordered to acquaint him therewith, and that his answer is expected on Monday next.

The President and Councill gave in their severall opinions in the queries propounded the 19th April relateing to the garrison, which were discoursed and resolved that we give the Topass Souldiers a promise that after two years serving the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} in any other garrison to which they are sent from hence, they may have liberty to returne hither, and as to M^{r} Frasers proposealls of forbidding Portugues Pallenkeens entring into the town covered, It is by majority resolved not expedient to make any such publick order now.

The Councill haveing made a remarke at their signing the consultation 5th of April last relateing to the Justices of the choultry, the President doth deliver in their report thereof to be entred after this consultation and gives this reason for not doeing it before Viz^{t} that he thought it best to lett the matter dye. The President allso observing the Councill have made remarkes on the 7th April relateing to Jango, gives the very same reason for not takeing further notice of Jangos insolency, and has now nothing more to say concerning it, but that he has to much reason to believe Jango guiltey from further informations of his spreading reports abo^{t} town when the late Commissary was att Bengall, that at his returne the President was to be turned out &c^{a} but if the Councill are not satisfied in the verity of the evidence they may make such further inquirey for their satisfaction as they shall thinke requisite and the President demanding of M^{r} Fraser to explain what he means by those words [has a higher straine of malice in it against Jango then any thing elce] he answers that he did not meane the Presid^{t}.

And upon the matter of the said report & M^{r} Pitts withdrawing himselfe from [sitting] in the choultrey, it is ordered that he [cease] to be Justice.

* 'Retraction' in the I.O. copy.

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Generall letter to Fort St David read [approved] and signed of this days date.

Eram Rauze haveing made a proposeall in writeing concerning the farming of the revenues at Fort St David (as entered after this consultation), the same was delivered to Mr Hatsell, rejecting the offer which hee makes of paying more then any one should bid at the outcry, as allso that wch relates to the mint, and referrs it to Mr Hatsell &ca wheth to accept of his offer concerning the washers as they shall find it convenient or not, and to consider off what methods are most proper for the encouragement of weavours inhabiting within their bounds.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TO THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR
PRESIDT & GOVERNR &CA COUNCILL.

Being at Yorke fort on the west coast of Sumatra in June 1693 the worpll the Govr and Councill there were pleased to give me som assurances that they would furnish me with one hundred, or one hundred and fiftey Bahar of Pepper, upon ye consideracon that I would afford them my assistance of ship Northampton, (of which I was then master) towards the recovery of the fort of Indapoora, then lately deserted by Mr Hamon Gibbons, which haveing complyed with to the utmost of my endeavours, tho' without success, and upon my returne to Bencoolen from [P]riamong I applied myselfe to the Govr and Councill for obtaining yt Pepper which I presumed they stood engaged to me for, but being frustrated of my hopes I applyed myselfe in particular to the worpll Charles Fleetwood the Govr who gave me assurances of his willingness to comply with my request affirming it was obstructed by Mr Willson only, to obviate wch I did by his consent draw and present unto the Govr and Councill a Protest against the Rt Honble Compa dated August 25th, 1693 in which I did affirme a contract and engagement from the said Governr and Councill, for the furnishing me with one hundred or one hundred and fiftey baharr of Pepper, and did declare the Rt Honble Company liable to make satisfaction to me and my owners for all Loss and dammages, that should accrew from nonperformance of the same.

Now may it please yor Honr &ca being truly sensible of my Error and indiscreet presumption in so doeing, I do humbly desire you would be pleased to pardon the same, and do by these presents retract and annull the said Protest dated August the 25th, 1693 and do for myself & in behalfe of my owners for ever discharge release and exonerate the Rt Honble Compa from all future demands, debts or pretences to dammages for the nonperformance of the said supposed contract, or upon any other accot whatsoever mentioned in ye said Protest. Wittness my hand this 13th of June 1694.

RICHARD PHRIP.

Eram Rauze his proposealls to the Honble President to farme what has, and what has not been farmed in the presincts & Juri[s]diction of Fort St David, & the villages under the English at Tevenapatam farmed out at five thousand and fiftey Chucarums a year, the time whereof expires the last of this present month of June 1694. I humbly desire that they may advise your Honour what is the utmost offered for them there when sett up att outcry Tevenapatam, and do hereby promise to give the Honble Compa more then they shall offer for them there.

The Ganjee Tobacco and Beetle were farmed out for 1100 Chucarums ℔ annum but I humbly desire I may be freed from paying the Land Custome, and ye Sea Custom is to remain as before, and on those terms I will give the Honble Compa 2000 Chucarums a year.

For the ferry over to Cuddaloor I do now offer to your honr 200 Chucarums, whereas it was farm'd for but 80 Pags ye year before.

The following is what has not been yet farmed which humbly offer to yor honrs consideration.

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As to the measureing Duties if your Hon^r^ will send for the acco^t^ that it may be known what it amounts to yearly, I do ℘mi[se] to give somthing more for it.

In like manner the watching Priviledge but y^t^ is what has been formerly farmed.

For the shroffs place 300 Chucarums and for the arrac stilling 300 Chucarums all w^ch^ amo^ts^ to 600 Chucarums w^ch^ I offer to your Hon^r^ for the mint I offer 1000 Chucarums, and the washers place 4000 Chucarums.

14 Private lr̃es from Tringombar advise y^e^ arrivall of a Danish ship on the 8^th^ Instant from Europe called Prince Frederick.

Att five o clocke M^r^ Hatsell sett out from this place for Fort S^t^ David.

15 Delivered a Pass to ship Northampton Rich^d^ Phrip master bound for Yorke fort.

Received a Generall letter from Vizagapatam dated 27^th^ May last with copies of their consultations from 29^th^ April 1694 to the 24^th^ May ditto, allso the Pursers and Stewards acco^t^ Curr^t^ for the month of April last.

16 Received letters from Issa Cooley att the Kings Camp to the President, enclcseing a Husbulhookum for takeing off the stop on trade in Bengall, chop'd by the Grand Visseer Assid Cawn, and a copy thereof chop'd by the Codjee.

Braminy Narran arrived from Zulphaker Cawns camp, and brought letters from the Buxe, Wottum Chund, Congowee and Cooponees with Arsemonagues order to his servants for the delivery of Yegmore and Persivacca to the English, upon which the President forthwith sent Cap^t^ Seaton with six musketiers and twenty Peons, & the Cheif Dubash and Braminy to take possession of the grain which was imediatly delivered to them by Arsemonaigues serv^ts^ upon the produceing of his order.

Generall lr̃e to the Gov^r^ and Councill of Yorke Fort of this date approved & sign'd to be sent ℘ship Northampton.

This morning ship Northampton Richard Phrip master sailed for Yorke fort.

[NATH: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
W^M^: FRASER.]

MONDAY 18TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE^: NATH^LL^: HIGGINSON ESQ^R^: PRESID^T^ & GOV^R^.
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R^: JUDGE ADVOC^T^
M^R^ WILLIAM FRASER.

Narran Braminey who has been 4 or 5 months at Zulphaker Cawns Camp abo^t^ getting his and Arsemonaigues order for our quiet possession of Yegmore & Persiwacca. He does now report that the Buxe & Wottum Chund were the Chief Instruments in procureing said orders, and allso found it necessary to apply to the Congoe an officer concerned in the account of the Kings lands Omuttalla Avena Zulphaker Cawn's writer and the Copenees, who were assistants to him when he found occasion to address, and did promise presents to the following persons Viz^t^. To the Copenees one small Beetle box, and one small rose water bottle of silver, and one small lookeing glass. To Ora Pray Arsemonaigue Ejib 50 rupees To Pure Cawn Arsemonaigues second Ejib 3 yards of Aurora. To Omuttulla Avena Zulphaker Cawns writer 4 yards of scarlett and to Timapa Braminy to Arsemonaigue three yards of Aurora.

M^r^ William Fraser warehouskeep^r^ paid into the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Camp^s^ Cash Pag^s^ 355 on acco^t^ [of] goods and stores sold.

M^r^ Pitt presenting a request (as entred in y^e^ copy booke of letters) for leave to go to Bengall, tis deferred giveing an answer there unto till Thursday next.

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Ordered that an action be entred by the Attourney Generall against M^{r} William Bouridge for an acco^{t} of 37000 Rupees deliver^{d} to him by the Agent and Councill of Bengall anno. 1691 to Invest for acco^{t} of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} at Radnagur, and that attachment be lay'd on seaven thousand rupees of said Bouridges money in the hands of M^{r} John Beard for security of the balance, and dammages at present appearing to be due to and sustained by the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company, ailso that warr^{ts} be sent the Agent and Councill of Bengall for the sending up of John Hill and William Messenger and Edward Hussey to Fort S^{t}. George.

Ordered that M^{r} Thomas Stables be third of Councill [at] Vizagapatam.

Ordered that the Europe cloth remaining at Vizagapatam be sent to the Agent and Councill of Bengall ℘ Briggantine Acheen Merchant.

Upon peruseall of the generall letters received from Bengall, and from M^{r} Ellis and M^{r} Beard relateing to the commission on consignm^{ts} on the permissive or Private trade made to Bengall, in order to the removeing the controversies now depending amongst them, and for prevention of the like for the future, it is resolved as follows.

By the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} express Order there is two of five ℘ Cent due to the Agent of Bengall both for all permissive goods laden on Europe ships and all consignments of private trade from all the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} servants or freemen in India, and this is payable to him as he is Agent, and has the Generall direction of affairs, tho' the consigners or proprietors do not so appoint, or tho' they do referr the mannagem^{t} of their business wholly to another.

If the consigners do appoint y^{e} division of the remaining three ℘ Cent, it will bee divided accordingly, but if they do not appoint it, our opinion is, that in the consignments and instructions to Agent Ellis & M^{r} Beard jointly, without distinction, the whole Commission shall be equally divided and this was the intention, and is the opinion of severall consigners from this place, with whom wee have discoursed.

A consignment to Agent Ellis, M^{r} Beard and another, the agent receives two ℘ Cent, M^{r} Beard and the other shall have the three ℘ [cent] equally divided between them.

A consignm^{t} made to the Agent &c^{a} which he receives, but dies or is removed before any part of the business is don, in this case there is no question but the successor shall receive the whole two ℘ Cent, but if the Investment were begun, either by receiving part of the goods bo^{t}, makeing contracts with, or delivering money to merchants, for provision of goods, the two ℘ Cent shall be divided between the Predecess^{r} & successor equally, and this rule will be the most generally equall in such cases, for it will be to nice and difficult an acco^{t} to make an exact calculation of what part of the business was done by one Ag^{t} and how much by the other, if the Agent on the first entrance thinkes he looses by this Division, he will find himselfe repaid again on his removeall.

It may be objected that the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} orders do appoint the two ℘ Cent to the Agent for signing Invoices, and shipping goods, but if you peruse the said order throughout, you will find that it is as well for takeing care & pains in the mannagement of the business, and therefore he that doeth take Pains & care is to have a proportionable consideration.

From the foregoeing wee conclude that the two ℘ Cent on the Consignm^{t} made by the late President Yale to Agent Charnock be divided equally between him and Agent Ellis, the former haveing made Contracts and begun y^{e} Investment, and the latter finished it, and by the same reason Agent Ellis ought to have his share of the Commission of the thirty thousand rupees consigned to him in June 1693 by Presid^{t} Yale which he writes that Agent Eyres * and M^{r} Hill doeth wholey detain from him.

In the Consignm^{t} made by M^{r} Alvarez to Ag^{t} Charnock and to the Agent in being, w^{ch} he began and agent Ellis finished, we thinke the whole five ℘ Cent is to

* ' Aires ' in the I.O. copy.

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be divided equally between them, the Consignment being made to the Agent singly.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

18. Braminy Narran reports that Zulphaker Cawn has made an agreem[t] with the Eccogee y[t] he will not medle w[th] Tanjore nor no part of his country, Eccogee paying him twenty Lack of rupees, and maintaining one thousand Horse and one thousand foot in Zulphaker Cawns Service while he stayes in these parts, upon which agreement Eccogee has paid 17 Lacks, and offers to pay the rest when the Nabob carries his army over the river whereupon the Nabob grew jealous of Arsemonaigue, and confined him and the Tanjore Ejib, but upon the mediation of Daud Cawn &c[a] officers, they were both released, and upon Eccogees promiseing to pay ten Lack more and to deliver Pollimcoot fort (which had been formerly pawn'd by Ram rajah to Eccogee for money borrowed) but in the meantime Ram rajah sent two or three thousand horse, and tooke possession of Pollamcoot, and when the Nabob came thither was refused admittance, and is now sett down before it, in order to take it by force.

19. Received a generall letter from Fort S[t] David dated the 16[th] Instant. Delivered a Pass to Ship Madrass friggett W[m] Griffin master bound to Bengall &c[a].

20. Silliman Cawn brother to Doud Cawn Cap[t] of three thousand Horse in Zulphaker Cawn's army came to town with six Ellephants & 14 Camells, and fiftey Horsemen, and brought a letter from his brother, and from Zulphaker Cawn, desireing accommodation and a Doctor for cureing him of his distemper, word was sent to Sillaman Cawn, that he was wellcome, and that he might order his servants to seeke out an accommodation, and the best Doctor of the place should attend him, but that he should not bring his horsemen into town w[th] him, but keep whom necessary for his service, & send the rest out of town, and accordingly his followers pitch't their Tents to the west of the Fort beyond the river, and himselfe hired of a Juliar house to the northward.

20. Meerew Junkanneer of the Pullemullee country, haveing been expelled by Arsemonague People for severall months, and sheltered [him] selfe in this place to save his life, and now [res]tored by the Nabob and Arsemonaigues [order] 'tis complained that he does allready be[gin] to stop goods comeing into town, demand[ing] five ℔ Cent.

Madrass frigget sailed for Bengall.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 21ST.

THE HON[BLE] NATH[LL] HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESID[T] & GOVERN[R]
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOCATE
M[R] WILLIAM FRASER.

M[r] Matt: Empson Prov[ll] Sea Custom[r] paid into the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] Cash Pag[s] 1700 on acco[t] [of] sea Custome.

Upon the debate of M[r] Pitt's request for his goeing to Bengall, It is resolved that he be [not] permitted to go.

The Attorney Generall acquainting us that the late President Yale moved the Court that the attachment laid upon his effects might be taken off, the Attorney Generall is Ordered the next Court day, to move the Court y[t] the attachment may not be taken off, till judgement is given in the severall causes now depending.

Ordered that Peter Dubois upon his request be discharged from the gun room Crew.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

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Ship Unity sailed for Bengall, by said ship sent a generall letter, dat. 19th 21.
Instant to the Agt &ca Councill.

Dispatcht a generall letter to Fort St David of this days date. 22.

Delivered a Pass to Ship Jerusalem Gregorie de Padro owner bound to 23.
Bengall and Persia.

Briggantine Acheen Mercht sailed for Vizagapatm, by said Vessell sent a generall lre to the Cheif &ca dated the 4th & 18th Instants.

Recd a generall lre from Fort St David dat. 20 Inst. and from Vizagapatam 24.
dat. 4th Inst. wth their Town accot Currant for one year ending 24th May 1694.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 25TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that Pags 1081 : 20 be paid to Mr Alvares da Fonseca being for one bill drawn by said Fonseca upon Senhr Ferera, and by him paid into the Rt Honble Comps cash at Fort St David as ℘ advise from thence in their generall lre dated the 16th Instant.

Mr. Matt: Empson Provll Sea Customer paid into the Rt Honble: Comps: cash Pags: 1600 on accot [of] Sea Custome.

The Paymaster is ordered to pay to Mr William Proby one years rent ending the [25th of] March 1693 for Mr Jearsies House at nineteen Pags ℘ moneth and there-after monethly.

Ordered that Pags 425 be paid Mr Tho: Wright Provll: Paymaster for defraying charges garrison.

Mr Matt: Mildmay Provll Land Custo[mer] paid into the Rt Honble Comps cash Pags 35 on Accot [of] Land Custome, and read his accot for the moneth of May last particulars Vizt.

Choultry Custome	Pags	173 : 7 : 74
Triblecane Custome	,,	0 : 14 : 30
Rubie broakers	,,	144 : 20 : 20
Cloth broakers	,,	25 : 10 : 33
Town Conicoplies Custom	,,	5 : 31 : 5
Registring Slaves...	,,	12 : 32 : 0
Fines	,,	2 : 33 : 0
	Pags ..	365 : 5 : 2

Ordered that William Mayhue* be discharged from the gunroom Crew.

Mr John Foquet rentall generall having taken a surveigh of all the houses in Town presents a list of the Quitt Rents for ys year ending September 29th, 1694 amounting to Pags 1610 : 20 which hee is ordered to collect accordingly. Hee allso produces an accot of arrears of quitt rent due in Septembr 1693 amounting to Pags 186·8 (as entred after ys consultation), the particulars whereof are to be examined, and considered. Som particular persons and Casts haveing refused or avoided payment.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Ship Experiment John Brennock master sailed for Bengall. 25.
Ship Curtana Thomas Morgan master sail'd for Bengall. 26.

* I. O. copy reads 'Mayhill.'

[25TH]

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Acco[t] : remains of Quitt rent in y[e] Black Towne and Pattaes.

	Pa.	fa.
In the Black Towne & Mootel Patta	32 :	12
In Peddenaige Patta	21 :	9
Shops in the Black Towne	14 :	0
Shops in Mootell Patta	4 ;	27
Shops in Peddenaigue Patta	4 :	27
Mucqua Towne	7 :	0
Washermans Towne	6 :	33
The Peddenaigue is indebted	22 :	1
Moveable Houses	47 :	32
Gardens	5 :	9
Braminey	20 :	2
Pag[s] ...	186 :	8
Whereof Paunes ... ... ,, ...	21 :	4
	165 :	4

THURSDAY 28TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON[BLE] NATH[LL] : HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESIDEN[T] & GOV[R].
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOC[T]
M[R] WILLIAM FRASER.

Warehous-keepr pd pa 500 and read his accots for May last.

M[r] William Fraser warehouskeeper paid into the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] cash Pag[s] 500 on acco[t] [of] goods sold, and read his warehouse and Storekeep[rs] acco[ts] for the moneth of May last.

Order of Court produced by the Attorney Generall.

The Attorney Generall produceing an order of Court dated 27[th] Instant (copy whereof is hereafter entered) and he is thereupon order'd to accept of M[r] John Pitt and M[r] William Proby as Security.

Paymr read his accots.

M[r] Thomas Wright Prov[ll] Paym[r] read his acco[ts] for the moneth of May particulars Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pa :	738 :	17
Charges Generall	,,	328 :	31
Charges Merchandize	,,	7 :	1
Yegmore &[ca] Towns	,,	12 :	15
Charges Diett and Stores bought	,,	800 :	09
Charges Cattle	,,	19 :	18
Fortifications and repairs	,,	89 :	28
	Pag[s]	1996 :	11

Agreem[t]. made between the Beng[ll] nocqueda & the Cozzee &ca. vaqueels.

The Vaqueel of the Cozzee of Ballasore, & other Creditors of the Bengall nocquedah appeared before us, and declared an agreem[t] made between them, and the nocquedah, that the nocquedah deliver them the ship, and pay them here two thousand rupees, and go with them to Ballasore to clear acco[ts] which the nocquedah allso declared he had agreed to. The nocquedah is thereupon cleared from y[e] Choultry and delivered to the said Vaqueels to accompany them to Bengall, the said Vaqueels haveing now delivered a writeing under their seale, declareing their satisfaction therewith, the copy whereof to be sent by the President w[th] : a lr̃e to the Cozzee of Ballasore.

Generall Letter to His Excellency the Gener[ll] dated the 11[th] : & 22 and to the Generall & Presid[t] &c[a]., of Surratt dated 25[th] To the Deputy Gov[r] &c[a] of Fort S[t]. David and to the Cheif &c[a] of Vizagapatam of this date, read approved & signed.

The President read his acco[t] of the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] cash for the moneth of May the ballance being Pag[s] 10438 : 20 : 3 and acco[t] of gold coin'd in the mint

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for particular persons amo^{t} to Pag^{s} 18220 : 18 : custom two and halfe ℔ Cent is Pag^{s} 91 : 3 : 3.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Entred in the Court of Admiralty June 27th, 1694.

Ordered that a parcell of Tutenague attacht by this Court, being the proper effects of Elihu Yale Esq^{r} be delivered to him, he haveing a present occasion for it, upon his giveing security to the Judge for the value of the same, if the Hon^{ble} Company shall recover so much damage in any action depending. **Fort St. George & Citty of Madrass.**

Vera copia.

Edw^{d} Tredcroft regist^{r}

Dispatch^{t} a generall letter to Fort S^{t} David of this date. 28

Received a generall letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated 25th Instant wherein they advise that Nabob Zulphaker Cawn hath taken Paliamcoot fort, Allso a report of the examination ordered in Consultation the 13th Instant wth an acco^{t} of goods provided by Chellumbrum M^{r} Hatsells servant and the particular places where p^{d} custome.

Dispatcht a generall letter to Vizagapatam of yesterdays date by their 29 returned Peons.

Ship Mahomod Allea serang sailed for Arraccan.

Dispatcht generall letter to his Exc^{y} the Generall dated 11th & 22 and to 30 the Generall and President &c^{a} Councill at Surratt dated 25th Instant by their returned Peons.

Received a generall lre from Fort S^{t} David dat. 29th past. **JULY 2ND**

ATT A CONSULTATION **MONDAY 2ND**

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOV^{R}
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^{R} JUDGE ADVOC^{T}
M^{R} WILLIAM FRASER.

Domingo Vasse a Topass souldier that ran first from this garrison, and is the person that had accused Lievten^{t}* Seaton of forceing five Pag^{s} from him, which made a great noise among the Portugueze, haveing stole priv[atly] into towne, and being this morning taken by Our Peons, was examined as to the said five Pag^{s} and M^{r} Lewis, and the brother of the said Vasse, and the Portugueze Scrivan, being all[so] sent for, it does appear by the unanimous declaration of them all, that Cap^{t} Seaton did receive five Pag^{s} from the hands of a Souldier w^{ch}. Domingo Vasse had got to go in his Room to the west coast, and delivered it to M^{r} Lewis for the use of Domingo Vasse, and M^{r} Lewis delivered it to the brother of Domingo Vasse and they do all say that they know of no other five Pag^{s} delivered to Cap^{t} Seaton. But Domingo Vasse haveing often contradicted himselfe in this examination, it do's app^{r} that he has been the malicious contriv^{r} of this falce story. The Lievtenant of the guard is ordered to keep him in Custody till further order.

M^{r} Matthew Empson Provisonall Sea Customer read his acco^{t} of Sea Customs for the moneths of February, March and April last past particulars Viz^{t}.

Febr^{y}	To acco^{t} Custome of Goods Imported & Export^{d} y^{t} month	P.	448 : 26 : 3
	D^{o} of grain as ℔ acco^{t} ℔ ticulars	„	386 : 19 : 0
	Anchorage	„	52 : 0 : 0
	Tonnage	„	8 : 12 : 0
	Salvage for 4 anch^{rs} found in y^{e} road & sold for (the mucq^{rs} part deducted).	„	92 : 11 : 3
		Pag^{s}	987 : 33 : 0

* 'Captain' in the I. O. copy.

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March	To accot Custome of goods Importd and Exported this moneth	Pa. 1642 : 17 : 5
	Do of grain as ℘ accot ℘ticulars	„ 718 : 5 : 8
	Anchorage	„ 45 : 18 : 0
		Pags 2406 : 5 : 2
April	To accot Custome of goods Importd and exported this moneth	Pa. 2796 : 16 : 1
	Do of grain as ℘ accot ℘ticulars	„ 464 : 14 : 2
	Anchorage	„ 39 : 18 : 0
		Pags 3300 : 12 : 3

The Storekeepr is ordered to buy twenty seaven large Pegue timbers att Pags 220 : 18 : of Mr Alvarez.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

TUESDAY 3D

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDRY

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Accot rems deld to Mr Walsh.

Accot of remains for the last of April last, being delivered in May last and perused, are now delivered to Mr Walsh for regulating the ballance of bookes M : M : Vizt.

Remains of Fort St George godown and rems of stores sign'd by Mr William Fraser.

Remains of Gunners stores sign'd by Tho. Meadows Gunner.

Remains of arms and rems of house moveables sign'd by Francis Brough.

The two Moormullas Morcay Lubba and Abu Bucker haveing for maney years past been at great variance, concerning the division of the fees &ca accustomed to be given them by that Cast, dureing which time of their difference some of the moormen have called in another mulla to officiate in a new intended mosquett, there being two already, one built by Veronas within the Black towne, and the other in President Yales time in the Petta, sufficient for the whole Cast, and for all parts of the towne. It is resolved not to admit of the building of any more, to prevent wch : it is adjudged a good expedient to confirme ye agreement made between the two mullas, as signified in their Petition and to grant them a Cowle according to the tenor thereof. Translate of Said Petition and Cowle are ordered to be entred after this Consultation.

Mungaraz haveing spent two or three months here in makeing proposealls for the provision of goods at Metchlepatam and Madapollam, requireing English men to be sent thither, and carry on a trade in the Rt Honble Comps name, and money to be advanced beforehand, and the prizes much more then the prizes of those Factories, which being rejected, Hee desires a Cowle to be given to himselfe and the Metchlepatam and Madapollam merchants for providing cloth halfe fine, halfe course at ten ℘ Cent advance on the Rt Honble Comps prizes deliverable in December and January next, the money payable after delivery. It is resolved that a Cowle be given accordingly (the coppy whereof is entered after this Consultation) and the warehouskeepr is ordered to deliver Mungaraz a coved of the severall sorts of musters therein mentioned.

Narrain Cheif Dubash haveing informed the President that one does offer 50 Pags a Year for the scavengers place, and since that others have offered 80 and others 100 Pags Vizt to receive all the Duties, and be at all charges for keeping

the streets clean, which haveing been hitherto in the hands of the Rentall Generall since Mr Wavell was first appointed, and never n[o] acco^t rendered of the receipts and charges, Mr John Foquet the present Rentall Genll is ordered on Monday the 9th Instant to deliver an acco^t thereof dureing his time, that the same may be better regulated for ye future.

The Judgem^t of the Court of Admiralty the 16th past decreeing Mr Chardin to pay freight according to the tenor of the bill of Lading, allowing him the damage on his Broadcloth freighted on Ship Princess Ann of Denmarke, but not mentioning neither the amount of the freight, nor of the damage. The Attorney Generall is ordered to move the Court for a further explanation of the said Judgement.

A moorman wth a dozen Horses and Eight or ten Camells laden wth Packs wch he pretend[ed] to be Tents and presents for Zulphaker Cawn, and therefore desires they may be lodged in the towne, till oppertunity offers for carrying them to the Camp, but refuses to have them opened or chop'd. Ordered that the same be not permitted to come into towne except opened or chop'd.

The warehouskeeper is ordered to ℘vide three hundred Pags worth of fans to Send by Peons to Fort St David.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

TRANSLATE OF MULLA MORCOY LUBA'S REQUEST.

TO THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR
PRESIDT & GOVR.

Lately I Morcoy Luba and Abu Bucker not agreeing about the revenues &ca of ye mosquets (the one lyeing in town and ye other in the Muttall Patta) upon wch we made our complaint to your Honr, then your Honr was pleas'd to order us to share it equally, and according to your Honrs Order wee [have done it and] are Satisfied, now I desire Yor Honr would not allow of any more mosquetts then the' two aforementioned, and that none shall officiate in them but ourselves and our children after us, and that no mulla shall be permitted to intermeddle in the affairs of ye mosquett, and if your Honr will be pleased to grant us such a Cowle wee will act according to it, and if either of us shall offend or act contrary to your Honrs Cowle, then the offender shall suffer such Punishment as your Honr shall thinke fitt, and be afterwards turned out of town.

Signed by both Mullas.

A Cowle granted by the Honble Presid^t of Fort St George to Morcoy Lubba & Abu Bucker Mullas.

According to your request and for the convenience and satisfaction of moormen Inhabitants, wee grant unto you and order that you two and your children onely doe officiate in the mosquets now built and in no other, one being within the town and ye other in the Muttall Patta, and that you two do divide equally between you the revens or accustomed fees of the said mosquets and that no other mulla whatsoever do officiate in or meddle wth any mosquett in this place & this Cowle we grant you so long as you shall behave yourselves well and peaceabley. Sealed wth the R^t Honble Comps seale and dated in Fort St George this third day of July 1694.

NATHLL: HIGGINSON.
JOHN DOLBEN.
WILLIAM FRASER.

A Cowle granted by the Honble President &ca Councill of Fort St George. To Buddapata Mungaraz, Maudula Nauga[raz], Corle Porle, Chinna Narso, Raca Pilla, Japa chittee, Guba Lingana, Alla Pottana, Colla Narso, Condo Shompolo, Sanco Narso, Sundure Jagapa, Tandapit Gerrepa, Wodlamannate Camarauze,

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Chinna Con[aipa], Cawle Putnapu, Veramrauzu, Nundegama Nagapa, Naulum Narsia, Naugula Conda Ramia, Mogunte Conia, Cotte Narso, Piende Cundalawarru, Goda Zoge, Butsu Mullia, Porrala Verrapa, Maudate Zungu[m], Jitture Yeracia, Worhala Narso &ca.

According to the musters wee now deliver to Mungaraz we would have you the abovesaid merchants to provide for accot of the Rt Honble English East India Company, Brown cloth of lengths and breadths according to muster, one halfe course, and the other halfe fine wch is to [be] brought into Madrass by sea or Land, and you must pay custome as the Madrass Merchants do, the whitening charge we will be at, and as for the washers damage we will stand to it. After sortmt and Package we will allow you for said cloth ten ℘ Cent more then the Comps price the Comps prizes are as followeth :—

Vizagapatam Musters Longcloth Ordinary.

No. 1	Pags	26 : ½	℘ Corge
2	„	25 : ½	
Salampores Ordry No. 1	„	12 : 0	℘ Corge
2	„	11 : ½	
Madrass Ginghams 16 Covds No		34.—32. / 34 + 30.	℘ Corge
Salampores fine of Madapollm No. 1		28 : 8 : 4	℘ Corge
2		24 : 23 : 0	
3		21 : 23 : 5	

All which you are to provide and bring in by the moneth of December, or January next. Dated in Fort St George this third Day of July 1694.

Nathll : Higginson.
John Dolben.
William Fraser.

3 Mr Hatsell in a particular letter to the President advises of a report among [ye] Dutch at Pollicherry that the Mallays had Siezed on Yorke fort, and that the Cheif [&] Councill &ca are gone on a Dutch Ship to Battavia in Order to their Passage hither. But there is yet no advice of any Dutch Ship or Vessell arrived from Battavia either on yt Coast or Zeilone, and therefore not credible.

Reports haveing been spread of ten French ships seen of Zeilone, upon enquirey it proves to be no more then the Danes report, that in Europe they heard ten or twelve French ships were design'd for India.

It is observable that the Danes have not sent any Europe letters that came by their ship for severall in this place, thô it is Eighteen dayes since her arriveall, and severall Peons and letters have passed between this and Tringombar, but they communicate no Europe news.

4 Ship Recovery Richard Hartop Master belonging to the Armenians arrived from Persia Laden wth wine &ca.

Thursday 5th.

Att a Consultation

Present

The Honble Nathll Higginson Esqr Presidt & Govr
John Dolben Esqr Judge Advoct
Mr William Fraser.

Ordered that Pags 10 be paid to Mahomod Yousurph for accot of Meirza Mahomod being so much due to him out of the Estate of Allea Vaude as appears ℘ an order of the Court of Admiralty dat. 23 June last.

Doctor Blackwall haveing requested a generall leave for his freinds to vissit him order is given to the Lievtent of the guard that they permit his freinds to vissit him, but not to stay after six a clocke at night and this liberty to continue so long as the Governour finds he uses it with discretion.

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Mungaraz produces an accot of money expended at Madapollam Factory for repairs and wages, the ballance due to him amounting to 89 Pags. It is ordered that ye accomptant doe examine and report ye same.

Ordered that Pags 400 be paid to Mr Tho: Wright Provll Paymaster for defraying charges garrison.

Ordered that the Attorney Generall [do] withdraw the action now depending in ye Court of Admiralty between the Rt Honble Company and the late President Yale concerning traversing of goods from on board ship Williamson, aboard ship Rochester &ca.

The Attorney Generall payes into ye Rt Honble Comps cash Pags 417 : 21 : 4 [and] report[s] the same to be by judgemt of the Court of Admiralty recovered of John Coventry [in] full of a bond dated 12th February $168\frac{8}{9}$ given by said Coventry for the payment of what the Rt Honble Compa had expended in Bengall on the necessary repairs of the upper workes of ship Satisfaction.

Ordered that the said Pags 417 : 21 : 4 be paid to Elihu Yale Esqr in persuance of Consultation of the 5th July 1694, he giveing a rect as entered after this Consultation.

Generall Letter to Fort St David of this date read and approved.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

Received then of the Honble : Nathll : Higginson Esqr : the summe of four hundred & seaventeen Pags twenty one fanams and four cash, being what hath been recovered in the Court of Admiralty by the Honble: Compa : of John Coventry upon ye prayer and for the benifitt of Elihu Yale Esqr in satisfaction of a bond dated 28th February $168\frac{8}{9}$ given by the said Coventry to the Honble: Compa: for security of payment of such sumes of money as shall appear to have been by them expended on ye necessary repairs of the upper works of ship Satisfaction, then belonging to said Coventry which ship haveing been formerly by a Process of Court in which the said Elihu Yale Esqr sat Cheif Judge, taken from him and delivered for the use of the Rt : Honble : Compa : in satisfaction of said bond and judgemt for wch : the said Elihu Yale Esqr hath been decreed to pay the said John Coventry Pags one thousand and twenty Eight, the money now recovered is paid to and received by

ELIHU YALE.

A small sloop belonging to the Dane arriv'd in this road from Tringombar 6
Laden wth : wines &ca.

Generall lre to Fort St : David of yesterdays date wth : Pags : three hundred in fanams sent by four Peons.

Briggantine Thomas and Sarah [John] Cockcroft master arrived from Fort St. 6
David upon whome came Mr. Charles Barwell and brought a generall lre from the Deputy Governour &ca dated the 4th Instant adviseing that they had laden on board sd Briggantine 62 Candy & 15 maunds Indigo and that ye Dutch have raised the price of Pepper to 3[8] Pollicatt Pagods a Candy.

Recd : a Generall lre from the Agent &ca [Councill] of Bengall dated the 1 May 10
last adviseing that Muttradrass was arrived with them from Hughley, and that they had contracted wth : him for severall sorts of goods to the amount of 150000 Rupees, and are agreeing wth the rest of their Merchants for the Investmt of the remaining stock. Allso a generall lre from Vizagapatam dat. 18th June last.

Recd : advice of a Dutch ships being arrived at Negapatam from Battavia, but 11
brings no news of any ships being lately arriv'd from Europe excep t : Capt : Gough in the Sarah a permissive [ship] bound for China.

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Thursday 12th.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR. PRESIDT & GOVR.
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCT.
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr William Fraser warehouskeepr paid into the Rt Honble: Comps: cash Pags: 500 on acco[t of] goods sold. Hee allso reports the weight of Indigo received from Fort St David by Briggantine Thomas and Sarah Vizt five chests 48 lb. more then Invoice weight one & half ℘ Cent and 231 Baggs 144 lbs. less then Invoice weight halfe ℘ Cent the loss being supposed to arise from the dust passing thrô ye baggs.

Mr Matt: Empson Provll Sea Customer paid into the Rt Honble Comps cash Pags 170 [0] on accot sea custome.

Samuel Pew a Souldier that is married and has severall children requesting leave to build a house, and there being a spare place fit for't at the end of Moors street, the Carpenter is ordered to lay it out for him.

The Judge produces a copy of the whole process in the action entered by the Rt Honble Compa against the late President Yale the 30th Novr 1692 relateing to the Madras merchants, wth a copy of the Decree of the Court thereupon on the 13th past, being signed by himselfe, and now delivered to Mr Fraser one of the Assistants for his peruseall.

A Dutchman called John Arts alias John the Butcher who hath been long an Inhabitt in this place, and for severall years past, has dietted souldiers belonging to ye garrison, the greatest part whereof were Dutchmen, of whome it hath been observed by the officers of the garrison, that in four or five years [past] 40 or 50 souldiers mostly Dutchmen ha[ve] run from his house, whereupon the Gov[r] supposeing he was privy to their goeing [away] gave him possitive order many months neither to Diett, nor entertain any souldier of the garrison in his house, notwithstanding which he lately dietted four Englishmen [and] five Dutchmen, two of which Dutchmen [ran] away two days ago and the other three are accused of haveing a designe to run away [at] the sametime, who had all appointed to [meet] and run from the said John Arts his ho[use] the said John Arts being thereupon examine[d] and not giveing any rationall excuse, It [is] resolved and ordered that he be banished within seaven days [to] depart from this Citty and the liberties thereof, and not to return under Penalty of haveing such Punishment inflicted upon him as the Govr and Councill shall thinke fitt.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Monday 13th

[ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE
MR WILLIAM FRAZER.

An order passed in the Court of Admiralty on the 7 Instant (Coppy whereof is entred after this Consultation) being considered, It doth appeare that there was then no further action depending in the said Court between the Rt Honble Company and the late President Yale, besides that relateing to Vizagapatam, the rest being all determined by decree of the Court, withdrawn or fallen for want of process, as that of 50,000 Pagods relateing to the Inhabitants, none haveing yet appeared to make theire complaints, and those of Councill who knew the particular Informations being dead.

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The Attorney Generall is ordered to enter an action in the Court of Admiralty against Elihu Yale Esq^{r} for an account of 8580^{p}: 4^{f}: entered in his account of the Cash received by him for acco^{t} of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company as paid to Trevor Games, vizt. In account for the Month of December, 1691, Pago^{ds} 1000 ditto for Aprill, 1692, Pago^{ds} 7580: 4^{f}: and that he move the Court that attachments to that amount may be transferred for security in this action, and for the remainder doe shew cause that the decree be pronounced by the Court the record thereof is not entered up, whereas the said order doth mention the said damages are satisfied out of the Effects attached, the President doth observe that the 100 Pago^{ds} with interest decreed on the 13 of June is not received, nor can he receive it till the Judgement is signed by the Judge and Assistant. The President read his account of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Companyes Cash for the Month of June last the ballance being 3563 :35: also his account of the Mint for ditto Month, the amount of gold coined being Pago^{ds} 14593 custome att $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent Pago^{ds} 72:35^{fa} and paid into Cash Pago^{ds} 171 on that acco^{t}.

The Attorney-General is ordered to enter an action agt Mr. Yale.

Attachment be transferred.

Presidts account of cash read.

Mintmr read his acct of the mint &pd: into Cash on y^{t} acct ps 171.

The Secretary read his account of Passes from the first of Sept^{r} 1693 to the last of June 1694, the amount of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Companyes part being Pago^{ds} 57, which he now payes into theire Cash and declares that the reason of his not accompting for it Monthley according to the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Companyes orders was his ignorance of the said order, which he will observe for the future.

The Secrety read his acct of Passes.

The order of court doth not mention the Hon^{ble} Presid^{ts} name or charge him with the receipt of the amo^{t} of that Judgement nor was it ever intended or thought proper to pay it into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Cash till the Judgment was entered up and signed, but the money being condemned in the hands of the Court is a full satisfaction from the defend^{t} and what is meant by y^{t} expression in the order.

NATH: HIGGINSON

JOHN DOLBEN.

W. FRAZER]

FORT S^{T} GEORGE
& CITTY OF MADRAS.

Entered in the Court of Admiralty 7th July 169[4].

Upon motion of the Hon^{ble} Elihu Yale Esq^{r} that the severall attachments upon his effects,[laid] on behalfe of the Hon^{ble} Company for security of such damages as they might recover in severall actions they have entred against him might now be taken off, excepting so much as is still necessary for security in actions [yet] depending to the [amount] of 500 Pag^{s} all [y^{e}] rest being [determined], and the damages [recovered] satisfied out of the effects so [attached. Its] ordered that the said attachment be dischar[ged] the next Court day, except the Attorney Generall shew cause to the contrary.

Vera Copia.

Edward Tredc[roft the] regist^{r}

Ship S^{t} Caj[elon] William Brooke master arrived from [York Fort] and brought a g[en^{ll}] letter from M^{r} [Charles] Fleetwood dated 2^{d} June last [past] adviseing M^{r} Willsons Death, and the arriveall of ship Royall James and Mary on the 3^{d} May last but had no [news] of the Madapollam. Said letter gives no acco^{t} whither they had taken the treasure ashoare sent ℗ ship Royall James & Mary, [nor] what quantity of Pepper they had in y^{e} Godown nor what Prospect of procureing any for the Royall James and Mary [nor] when intended to dispatch her for Bengall, nor any acco^{t} of the state of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} : Comp^{s} affairs there. 14TH

A large Dutch Ship Pass'd by this place to the northward.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1694——

MONDAY 16TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOC^T
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

Pags 2000 paid the merchts.

Ordered that Pag^s two thousand be paid the merchants in full of the last Investm^t contracted for the 7^th day of August 1693 for Pag^s [27000]

[Letter] to ye Comp read & approved.

Letters [to] Nabob Zulphaker Cawn [Whottamund] Chund and the Buxee at the [camp all] of this date read and approved.

[Con_sultations ordered to be kept in Jearsies house.

A[bout] three moneths after the news of [the late] Commissary Generalls death, in Mar[ch la]st having resolved upon building the new house in the Fort, & there being no convenience then for keeping consultations. It was thought necessary that our consultations should be kept in M^r Jearsies hired house where the L[ady] Goldsborough then Lived with her fam[ily] and there not being room for both her's [and the] Presidents family. It was then agreed th[at my] Lady should have the use of the garden ho[use] and 12 Pag^s ℔ mensem Diett money, which her Ladyship did not thinke fitt to accept, expecting 25 Pag^s ℔ mensem, and offering to give bond for repaym^t if the R^t [Hon^ble] Comp^a did not approve of it, and her Ladyship haveing lately spoke to the Presid^t about [it]. It is referred to his Excellency S^r John Ga[yre] the new Generall of India by our next generall letter.

Two Soldrs found guilty of a design of running away.

Coffree Amsterdam a Jew who came [over] a souldier in the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Service [on ship] Royal James and Mary and Joh[n Frizen]haugen a Dutchman who came upon a countrey Vessell from Surratt, [and] here entertain'd a souldier for one year [from] the 7^th June last, haveing been by the [officers] of the guards examination, and by [a second] examination before us, found guilty of a designe of running from the garrison [to] the Moor's Camp, in which by their own confes[sion] they have been engaged for above a mone[th] and neither of them having disclosed it, is a sufficient conviction of their guilt. It is ordered that they both run the Gantlett tomorrow morning after prayers, from y^e Fort gate to the Choultrey gate, and be recommitted prisoners till the next morning when the same punishm^t to be repeated from the Fort gate to the corner of the Portugueze Church. After w^ch : for one moneth both are to do double duty and the officers of the garrison to take ℔ticular notice of their behaviour.

Soldr to run the gantlett.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

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Received a Generall [lett]er from Vizagapat^m dated 11^th June last past adviseing their want of money to carry on the Investment and that the Dutch had lately rec^d 100000 Rupees, w^ch gives them cause to fear that if their merc^hts are not constantly supplyed w^th money to keep the weavours at worke, the Dutch will Employ them. Allso a generall letter from Fort S^t David dated the 12^th Instant with the following accounts Currant Viz^t M^r Barwells of Land Custome at Cuddalore for the months of April, May and June 169[4].

M^r Troughtons of Sea Custome at ditto place from the last of May 1693 to the last of May 169[4]. M^r Cranwells of Land Custome at Tegnapatam from the last of July 1693 to the last of June 169[4] Dittos of Sea Custome at Tegnapatam for the months January, February and March 169¾ and for the month of June 1694. M^r Berlue* his stewards acco^ts for the months of April, May and June 1694 and the warehouse & storekeepers acco^ts Rem^s at Fort St David taken the last of April 1694 &c^a. Papers as ℔ list entred in the Copy book of letters.

* 'Berleves' in the I.O. Copy.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY [19TH]

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Ordered that the Tancks at Yegmore, Tandor[e] and Persiwacca be repaired before the comeing of the raines, out of their produce, wch the Braminey gives account is about thirty Pags. Allso [that] a sufficient number of Toddy Seeds, be boug[ht] to plant round the bounds of the new towne, that cajue and other trees, that will grow in bar[ren] grounds be planted [in a]ll the barren places, in or belonging to the new towns for a provision of firewood, those Cajues that were planted [at] Yegmore by an Order of Consultation dated the 29th May 1693 thriveing very well.

Tancks of the new Towns to be repaired.

[Toddy Seeds] to be planted round ye [boun]ds of ye new. Towns

Ordered that Christian Reasnor* & Hendrick Hobin be entertained as souldiers in this garrison for two years, and that Pasquall [de] Cauze and Domingo de Mount two Portugueze souldiers be discharged.

Two soldrs entred. Two Portugueze soldrs discharg'd.

The Paymaster is ordered to pay Pags 40 : 28 : 3 wages due to Mahomod Mamogee a Lasscar who did belong to ship Satisfaction, and is included in the number of Lasscars shipped at Fort St George, and in the account signed by Mr Fleetwood, and in the masters booke of wages paid Lasscarrs thô his name was omitted to be entred by the master, in the list by which the Paymaster was ordered to pay off ye Lasscars.

The Paymr to pay Mahomod Mamogee his wages.

Mr John Foquet Rentall Generall paid into the Rt Honble Comps cash Pags 271 : 34 : fans on accot Quit rent [&ca and] Mr Matt: Mildmay Provll Land Customer [Pags 290] on accot Land Customs. The Beetle Farmers Pags 250 on that accot and [the] Tobacco Farmers Pags 233 : 12 fans on that accot.

[Severa]ll sums of money pd into cash.

Ordered that Pags 833 : 12 fans be paid Mr Thoms Wright Provll Paymaster for defraying charges garrison.

833 : 12 pd the Paymaster.

Discoursed concerning the state of affairs [about] Yorke fort, but came to no resolve, the same be[ing] refer'd to further consideration tomorrow morning.

[We]st coast affairs referr'd till tomorrow morning.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL. FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION

FRIDAY 20TH

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

The business of the west coast being dis[coursed] It is resolv'd that the ship Hawke be orderd [to] proceed thither from Bengall wth two or three thousand bags of salt-petre and three h[undred] bales of course goods and provisions to [fill] up for Europe.

West coast affairs discoursed. The Hawke to go to ye west coast.

That haveing none of the Rt Honble Comps [ships] a vessell or ship be hired or bought, and sent thither wth all Convenient dispatch, wth one or [two] of the Rt Honble Comps servants: unless any country vessell shall suddainly proceed upon a tra[ding] voyage that way, which will save the charge.

A vessell to be hired or bot & sent to the west coast

A Generall letter dated the 16th Instant to his Excellency Sr John Gayer Generall of India at Surratt finisht, read and approv'd, wherein the reasons of the foregoeing resolut[ions] are particularly stated.

Generall lre to the Generall read & approv'd.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

* I.O. Copy reads 'Reasmore'

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21 Dispatch'd a generall letter to his Excy Sr John Gayer dat. 16th Inst. &ca Paprs as ℘ list entred in the copy Booke of letters.

22 This morning a Horse wch was Presented ye Presidt by Dunpattarraw on the 23rd October 1693 Died.

23 Deliver'd a Pass for Briggantine Eagle John Cockcroft master bound to Bengall.

MONDAY 23

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Warehouskee pr pd in 600 Pags

Mr William Fraser warehouskeepr paid into the Rt Honble Comps cash Pags six hundred on accot [of] goods sold.

[Pages 70] to be pd Mr Chardin. Pags 24: 21 to be pd Mahomod Beague.

Ordered that Pags 70 be paid to Mr Danl Chardin on a bill drawn by Mr William Hatsell &ca Councill of Fort St David dated the 16th June last past and Pags 24 : 21 to Mahomod Beague, being so much due to him out of the Estate of Allea Vaudee decd as appears by an order of ye Court of Admiralty dated the 18th Instant.

Leave granted Mr King to go a voyage.

Mr Edward King one of the Rt Honble Company Servants haveing presented a Petition (as entred after this Consultation) for leave to go a voyage, It is granted, he being of little use here, and Indebted to the Rt Honble : Company Pags Eighty by Judgement of the Court of Admiralty wh[ich] he is not able to pay at present, but may be ena[bled] to do it by a voyage.

Mr Fraser order'd to examine Mr Pitts accots.

Mr John Pitt late Storekeeper, his accounts from April 1690 to April 1693 are ordered to b[e] examined by Mr Fraser Storekeeper, relating [to] the prises of Stores bought, particularly plan[cks] and timbers, and to deliver in his report thereof.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.

TO THE HONBLE : NATHLL HIGGINSON
ESQR PRESIDT &CA COUNCILL.

THE HUMBLE: PETITION OF EDWARD KING.

Humbly Sheweth.

That whereas at present the Rt Honble : Comps : affairs in these parts doth not admit of impl[oyments] for all their servants, and your Petitioner having a wife to provide for, to defray the charges thereof Your Petitioner dayly finds himselfe more & more incapable. Your Petitioner therefore doth humbly pray your Honr &ca to admit [permit?] him to take a voyage whereby he may support his family, he being willing dureing his absence to forgoe the salary that may grow due to him, provided Your Honr &ca will be pleased that he may upon his returne beare the same station he now is in. And Yor Petitioner shall ever Pray.

23 Dispatch't a generall letter to Fort St David of ys date wth Invoice and bill of lading 700 ps [of] gunn[ies].

25 Received a generall letter from Vizagapatam dated 7th Instant wth their Diaries and Consultations from the 25th May last to the 2d Instant, and their Generall Booke letter L commencing the 1st May 1693 ending 30 April 1694.

Ship Nossa de Senhora Esperania Ferdinan[do] Manuel master saild for Bengall.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 26TH.

Present

THE HON^BLE: NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R, PRESID^T & GOV^R.
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R: JUDGE ADVOC^T.
M^R WILLIAM FRASER.

Cojee Gregorye haveing often earnestly prest for the payment of six thousand Rupees drawn on us by Issa Cooley for the charges of the Surratt and Bengall Husbulhook[um] and now demanding it in such manner [that] the payment thereof can be no longer delay[ed] without injury to the R^t Hon^ble: Comp^s cred[it] on the like occasions, Hee is after much argueing perswaded to stay a moneth or two longer for said summe which Issa Cooley writes he has taken up at interest at $\frac{3}{4}$ ℔ mensem from the date of the Husbulhook[um] the 3^d day of the moneth Rajub which [is the] 16 day of February last, and to this day amounts to rupees $238\frac{1}{2}$ is in the whole [Rs] $6238\frac{1}{2}$ and is the summe now demanded [by] Cojee Gregorye, but there being a present [ne]cessity of sending Pag^s ten thousand [to] Vizagapatam for which wee now have borrowed Pag^s five thousand, and it is agreed that a bond be given to Cojee Greg-[orye] for the said sum̄e of rupees $6238\frac{1}{2}$ reckon[ed] at the rate of 333 rup^s for one hundred Pag^s (thô they were at 330 at the time of the HusbullHookums arriveall w^ch Cojee Gregorye [at first] insisted on) makes Pag^s $1873:15\frac{1}{4}$.

Cojee Gregorie perswaded to [stay] 2 mo^s for his money.

Bond to be given Cojee Gregorye for rupees $6238\frac{1}{2}$.

There being a present necessity for borrowing money to send to Vizagapatam, the Presid^t prevailed with M^r Styleman and M^r: Alv [arez] to lend Pag^s. five thousand for six mon[ths] w^th: the liberty of paying it in within that [time] at ten ℔ cent intrest ℔ ann̄: and the Counc[ill] being acquainted therewith, and approveing thereof, none being procureable at nine ℔ cent, bonds were then given to M^r Styleman for Pag^s 1500, to M^r Styleman and [M^r Stone] for Pag^s 1500 and to M^r Alvarez for Pag^s [2000] all which sum̄es were paid into the R^t: Hon^ble: Comp^s: cash.

Money borrowed at 10 ℔ ct.

[Bo]nds given to M^r Stileman [& M^r [Alvarez.

The generall letter from Vizagapatam dated 7^th Instant being perused, the said advises of Pag^s 88 : 32 fanams short charged in Aurora, in our Invoice ℔ Briggantine Acheen Merchant. It is ordered that a true Invoice of said Aurora &c^a be drawn out and sent.

[Invo]ice to be drawn out [and sent to] Vizagapatam.

The Cheif Dubash is ordered to provide two or three cloth beaters, to go by the next conveighance to Vizagapatam, they complaining very much of the want of skillfull persons to instruct theirs.

[Two or] three cloths beat^rs: to go to [Viza]gapatam.

The said Generall adviseing that they should have three [hundred and] fiftey Bales ready in September, and M^r Holcombe advise[ing]that he shall make roome in his ship, tha[t] is bound hither for their conveighance but that it will be to his disadvantage, [he] therefore desires that another conveighance may be provided, and their being a Briggan[tine] fitt for that service, which thô bound on another voyage, the owners are willing [to]lett go thither, as well as to carry them a supp[ly] of money, as to bring the Bales back, at [the] rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ ℔ cent Freight for the treasure and one Pagoda and a quarter ℔ bale, It is agreed that the said offer be accepted, and y^t: Pag^s: ten or Fifteen thousand be sent them by said Briggantine, to enable them to finish their last Investment, and contract for another for Pag^s: twenty thousand deliverable in January next.

[Brig]gantine to fetch ye bales from Vizagapatam.

There being one thousand Rup^s: of the new stamp coined in the mint, and four thousand more ready to Stamp, w^ch were by the Assay mast^r: and Mint Braminey equall unto the matt of Surratt Rupees. But Severall Shroffs of this place and Guzarat, haveing been caus'd to make an assay thereof, report them to be one grain in a rupee worse then the matt of Surrat Rupees, and halfe a grain better then y^e Matt of Bengall. It is resolved that the first coined Rup^s: in the mint, be equall to the matt of Surratt Rup^s: by the judgement of the most considerable Shroffs in the place, w^ch is the prope[r] meanes to gain a Creditt to the coin, therefore ordered that all the rup^s: be remelted, and either refined or more

[New rupees] worse then ye matt [of] Surratt.

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[Rs] to be remelted. fine silver added thereunto, untill the Shroffs do judge them equall unto the matt of Surratt rup[s]: that they may Pass from the mint without any exception, and that the minters be allowed halfe cooly for it.

[L̃is] to Bengll: & Fort St: David read & approvid. Generall Letters to Bengall and Fort St: David [dated] 23 Instant, read and approved.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

27 Delivered a Pass to Ship Nossa De Senhor[a De] Bom* V[o]iage Enarse Sware Command[er bound]to Queda.

Ship Diamond Henry Laurence master arrived from Persia by whome received good news of the Rt Honble Comps haveing their new Charter on the 9th of October [and] that they were sending out six Ships.

28 Sheek Amud son of Eckla Cawn Vizi[er, Govr] of Burro Ballaporum within two days [Journey] of Serra Cossim Cawn's seat, sent a letter [by a] Horseman wth ten servants, desireing his servants to buy him some necess[aries]. A Persian who upon Allemerde Cawn's [de]feat fled hither, and from hence went [to the] Mogulls Camp, and being restored to his emp[loymt] in the army, came and brought his wife and family hither about three months since and leaving an overseer, went to Wandewa[sh] his wife conspiring wth one of his serv[ants] to run away, conveyed all her money [Jewells] &ca to the servant, who lay privately in [a garden] and provided oxen for conveyance, and [she] sent the President notice by her over[seer] that her house was rob'd in the night, [and] sent a list of things to a considerable [value.] The President Ordered the Talliars to go and view the place, and examine the servant upon which they suspected a trick, & makeing a strict search, found the servant in a garden wth the stoln goods, and oxen ready to be gon onely waiting for the womans escape. The President secured the servant and the goods on the Choultry under the overseer's Chop, takeing his acknowledgement of the Contents, and the Persian Comeing Yesterday to towne recd his goods and family and this day carryd ym out of towne, giveing an attested discharge (copy whereof is entred in the Copy booke of Letters).

[MON]DAY 30TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR.
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCATE.
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Matthew Mildmay paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 52–35 fans being part [of] the estate of Allea Vaudee deceas'd, the ball of an account due to him from Tuleram.†

Mr William Fraser read his warehous & storekeepers accots for the month of June last and Mr Thoms Wright his Paymasters accot for the month of June last particulars Vizt.,

Charges Garrison	Pags	864: 34
Rutterra		232: 30
Charges Generall		664: 18
Yegmore &ca Townes		11: 15
Charges Merchandize		0: 31
Charges Cattle		18: 33
Charges Diett		263: 34
Fort St David		2: 15
West Coast		5: 0
Fortifications and Reprs		91: 6
	Pags	2156: 00

* I.O. copy reads 'Boun.'

† 'Tuteram' in the I.O. copy.

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Ordered that Pag[s] 580 be paid to M[r] Wright Prov[ll] Paymaster for defraying [charges] garrison.

M[r] Matthew Empson Prov[ll] Sea [Customer] paid into the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] Cash Pag[os] [580 on] account [of] Sea Custome.

The Justices of the Choultry have complaind that on Friday last M[r] Da[niell] Dubois did rescue his slave boy from the hands of the Talliars who were brin-[ging] him to the choultry to be examined, [upon] an accusation of stealing twenty [six pag[s]] from M[r] Lovell and did upon the Ju[stices] demand in writeing refuse to send him to [them] all w[ch] do's appear by M[r] Dubois his own confession. It is ordered that the Justices of the Choultry do fine M[r] Dubois three Pag[s] and if it doeth app[r] to them that the said [boy] hath stolen the money, that either [M[r].] Dubois do make satisfaction for w[hat he] has stolen, or that the boy be sold for [that] purpose.

Ordered that the Justices of y[e] Cho[ultry] do execute all such orders as they s[hall] receive from the Court of Admiralty [for] the examination of wittnesses, makeing of referrences, and arbitrations, & takeing the opinions of the Cast's relateing to the Custome of the Gentues &c[a], w[ch] is very [often] necessary for the expediteing of causes depending in that court, and there being but one assistant cannot well be done but by the Justices of the Choultry.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

ATT A CONSULTATION — TUESDAY 31.

Present

THE HON[BLE] NATH[LL] HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESID[T] & GOV[R].
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOC[T]
M[R] WILLIAM FRASER.

M[r] Dolben pays into the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] Cash Pag[s] three thousand at intrest, at ten ℘ Cent ℘ annum, which he spares to serve the present occasion of Vizagapatam, but desires his bills may be made payable at two moneths, It not suiting with his occasions to continue it any longer. It is ordered that bills be given him accordingly.

Gov[r] Pilla paid into the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] Cash Pag[s] 591–9–4 on account of the Peddenagues Duty, and Pag[s] 338–23–44 on account of the Town Conicoplies Duty.

There haveing been much compl[aint and] discourse concerning the Steward and [his servants] their selling victualls and Dietting sou[ldiers] by which they gained thirty or Fourtey [Pag[s] ℘] moneth. The President did last weeke [send] such of the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] servants [and others] who were reported to know any thing [of the] matter, and severall of the souldiers were said to be dietted and examined th[em] particularly of what they knew, or [to] which examinations were now pr[oduced] and read, by which it doeth appear th[at the] Butler, his brother, and one of the Ste[wards] servants, have among them sold victu[alls] to the Souldiers to the amount of about [six] or seaven Pag[s] for within three or four [months] past w[ch] the servants do alledge was only [broken] victualls, but there is reason to suspe[ct] they have disposed of whole Joints, th[at were] fit for the use of the generall table, up[on the] whole matter it is ordered that they all [three be] turned out of the Service of the Fort [with] disgrace, for an example to others. And [it] does appear by the Confessions of the seve[rall] persons examined, that the Steward is altogether innocent, and the report was fals[ely] raised and spread by M[r] King late Steward.

The R[t] Hon[ble] Company haveing in their Generall letter of 12 of October 1687 ordered that their Attorney Generall ha[ve such] a reasonable Salary whereon he may live comfartabley. It is ordered that Matthew Mead the present Attorney

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Generall be allowed 50 Pags a year from February 169⅔ to be paid at the next payment [of] Salary.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

AUGUST 1. Delivered a Printed Pass to Ship George, James Perriman Com ander, bound to Bengall and Persia.

THURSDAY 2.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

[Judge] Dolben lends 1000 pa.

Judge Dolben pays into the Rt Honble Comps cash Pags one thousand, at ten ℔ Cent intr[est ℔] annum for Six moneths, for which a Bill [was] given [to] him.

The Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 7th Instant contains these [words vizt.] Mr Holcombe haveing given his word [to proceed] to the West Coast last October, he [took care to] make his private Affairs Comport the[rewith] would his indisposition have admitted, and if your Honr &ca shall thinke fitt to rem[ove] him hence to any other employ, suitable [to] his ten years Service to the Rt Honble Compa, you shall find he has govern'd his priva[te] trade so to concur wth their interest, as n[ot] to require a year, nor a quarter thereof, [to] clear himself both of the place and Co [ast]. It is thereupon resolved as our opinions [that] Mr Holcombe doeth thereby mean, that [he] shall be in a short time ready to go to th[e] West Coast, when required, and that ye [present] condition of Affairs there, do's more then [ever] require his, or as able a person's goeing [to] Settle them, and that since he has offerd we ought not to refuse it, and that ye business of Vizagapatam may dureing the time of his absence, be mañaged by others, with [out] any apparent hazard of dañage to the Honble Comps affairs there, and therefore [that] by our now intended generall letter, we lett him know, we depend upon his goeing so soone as we have a supply of an Euro[pe] Ship, money, and men requisite unle[ss] in the mean time as fitt a person who m[ay] be better Spared does offer.

The Balance of the Rt Honble [Comps] Cash being but Pags 13352 : 13 : the President has [procured] Pags 1647 : 23 fanams, and payes the same into Cash now to make up Pags 15000 which summe is now deliver'd to Mr Fraser warehouskeeper, to send on Briggantine Eagle to Vizagapatam And it is ordered that a bill be given the President for the same payable on demand, out of the first money received.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

3. Received a Generall letter from Fort St David dated 30 past.

Last night Ship George sailed for Bengall, by which Ship sent a generall letter to the Agent &ca dated the 23d past.

[MON] DAY 6.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Matt: Empson Provll sea Customer paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 1400 on account Sea Custome.

Ordered that Pags seaven Hundred be paid to Mr Thomas Wright Provll Paymaster for de[frayeing] Chargs garrison.

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Upon further Consideration of the A[ffaires] of the west Coast, it is resolved that Mr M[ontague] be ordered to repair hither forthwith, in [order to] his proceeding thither if a fitter person s[hall not] be found out in the meantime, and dis [coursed] concerning sending further orders to Bengall relateing to the Hawke, and the West Coast, [but] re[fer]red to Mr Mountagues arriveall.

Ordered that Pags: one hundred be paid [the] washermen on accot: haveing cloth eno[ugh] in their hands, the washing whereof will [amot] to above Pags: one hundred and Fortey.

Ordered that Pags: five hundred be paid [to] Timapa and Allingall, &ca: merchants [on accot] of their Contracts made the first day of Augst:

Generall Letter to Fort St: David of this [date] read: approved and signed.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Received a generall letter from his Excelly [Sr John] Gayer from Bombay dated 12th: June and from [Mr] Annesly* Presidt. of Surratt dated 24th ditto. advi[seing] that President Harris died the 10th. May last and that they had drawn a bill upon us for 12000 [rupees] payable to President Higginson, allso [a copy] of a lre from Mr. Robert Wakeman, dated in A[leppo] 9 January 169¾ which letter confirmes the n[ews] recd: from Persia, of the Rt: Honble Comps: being Es[tablished.] 6

Delivered a Pass to Ship St: John belonging to Coja Harap Armenian bound to Bengall. 7

WEDNESDAY 8.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDINARY

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR. JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Hatsell to repr hither.

There being but little business at Fort St: David, It is ordered that Mr: Hatsell repair hither, unless he has reason [to] apprehend any dammage to the Rt. Honble. [Comps] affairs by his absence.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

Dispatch't a generall Letter to Fort St. Da[vid] of this days date.
Ship St: John belonging to Cojee Hara[p] sail'd for Bengall.
Sloop Boventura sailed for Beng[all].
Ship Boutaracull belonging to Dutc[h] came into ye road from Mallacca. 10
Ship Boutaracull sailed out of this road.

MONDAY 13TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR: JUDGE ADVOCT
MR: WILLIAM FRASER.

Mr Matt. Mildmay Provll. Land Customr: paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 250 on that accot: and read his account of Land Custome for the month of July last particulars Vizt.

Choultrey Custome	Pags:	102:	18:	15
Town Conicoply	„	4:	7:	59
Rubie Broakers	„	101:	15:	5
Cloth Broakers	„	43:	11:	20
Fines	„	0:	9:	0
	Pags:	251:	25:	19

* 'Annsly' in the I.O. copy.

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MR William Fraser warehouskeepr paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 1060 on accot: [of] goods sold and read his accot: of the warehouse for the month of July.

The President read his accot: of the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash for the month of July, the Balance being Pags: 12352: 13: and [read] his accot: of gold coin'd in the mint for particular persons amount to Pags. 24087½ at halfe ℔ Cent is Pags. 120: 16 & paid in Pags: 120: 11 fans: on that account.

The tobacco Farmers paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 233: 12 fans. on that accot.

Ordered that Pags 668: 35 be paid to Mr [Thomas Wright Provll Paymr to defray charges garrison.]

Secry read his accot: Passes. — T[he Secretary] read his accot. Passes [for the] month [of] July and pays in Pags: 5: 12: th[e amount] of the Rt: Honble: Comps: part.

Rentll: Genll: pd in Pas: 302. — Mr John Foquet Rentall Generall paid [into] the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 302 on accot: [of] Qui[tt] Rents &ca:

[The] Justices of ye choultry. [pre]st: a papr: concerning slave [st]ealers. [Two slave] stealer[s] fin'd 200 Pag. — The Justices of the Choultrey presenting an entry in their Register, whereby Deveda[sh] a merchant is found guilty of driveing a trade of Stealing children wherein he employ[ed] Muchdum and Mullia, two notorious Rogu[es] who were for the same fact formerly publick[ly] punished upon which they adjudged [Devedash to] pay two hundred Pags. as a Fine, or Eighty [pags] and stand in the Pillory and the other two [to] be made slaves to the Company, which order is confirmed, and the Justices order'd to see it executed.

[Pay] mr to pay Mr Ladd pa 9:23. — Mr: Thoms: Wright is order'd to pay Mr Ladd Pags: nine and twenty three fans: being for charges of action against Elihu Yale Esqr: relateing to Sea Customes withdrawn.

[Twenty] bales of Broad Cloth sent to Fort St David. — Ordered that by the first oppertunity ten Bales of broad cloth ordinary red, and ten Bales Ditto green, be sent to Fort St: David they adviseing us they can vend such a quantity.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.

15 A Dutch [sloop past by] this place for Negapatam.

Sloop Meirza [Madud] arrived in this road from Fort St: David, upon said vessell came Mr Mountague who brot: a genll: lre dated 13th Instant wth Genll Bookes lre C & Diary & Consultation Booke from pmo Janry 169¾ to Ult. July 94.

17. Mr Hatsell arrived here from Fort St David by whome recd a genll lre dat. 14 Inst.

MONDAY 20TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR WILLIAM HATSELL.

The late President Yale sent a request dated the 14 Instant, wch is ordered to be entred after this consultation.

Mr Matt: Empson Provll Sea Customer paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 1200 on account [of] Sea Customes.

Ordered that Pags 173: 5: 3 be paid Judge Dol[ben] upon a bill drawn on us from Fort St David dated 4 Instant as ℔ advice of that date.

Mr William Fraser warehouskeepr paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 600 on account goods sold, and read his accou[nt of] Stores for the moneth of July.

Mr William Hatsell haveing peruse[d the] state of the case between the late President Yale and the Rt Honble Company dat: 13 June 1694 and

being now demanded whether he did consent thereunto, delivers his answ[r] in writeing w[ch] the Judge desireing to peruse in order to answer, was delivered [to] him.

In the 15[th] Paragraph of the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] generall letter dated 10[th] April 1693 relateing to the filling up of the Councill of Fort S[t] George, and allso the Generall's last lre from Bombay dated 12[th] June last being read. The President doeth thereupon take notice of the necessity of filling up y[e] Councill of Fort S[t] George, the number being now to few, and desires the opinion of the Councill whether he may make an addition to the Councill according to the direction given [to] S[r] John Goldsborough. The Generall haveing in a particular letter to the President dated 12[th] June written these words Viz[t] (and I all [soe] make it my request that you will fill up the Councill of such as you thinke best qualified for that station) and y[e] Councill being of opinion that it is needfull to fill up the Councill, and that the President hath power to doe it. The President doeth thinke himselfe both empower'd by the forementioned orders, and obliged by the present circumstances of affairs to make an addition to the Councill, of such ꝑsons who are fittest to serve the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[a] in that station and named three persons for that purpose but referrs the conclusion of this matter till tomorrow morning.

NAT: HIGGINSON.

I cannot concede to the resolution of the Hon[ble] Presid[ts] haveing power to fill up the Council for reasons enterd after this Consultation. } JO: DOLBEN.

I do agree to the filling up of the Council with such ꝑsons duly qualifyed as the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] Gene[ll] Letter of the 10 of April 1693 do direct & the Gen[lls] opinion on the same, by his gen[ll] Letter from Bombay dated the 12 of June last W.F. } WILL: FRASER.

W[M]: HATSELL.

I conceive the clause in S[r] John Goldsborough's Commission w[ch] in his absence doeth devolve an authority on the Hon[ble] President, is cheifly design'd to empower him to execute martiall Law if there be occasion, and doeth only reinstate him in the full power of Gov[r] and President of Fort S[t] George dureing such absence, as if there was no generall his Superior in India, but cannot see reason to thinke that the whole powers given by that Commission to the Generall, are in his absence entrusted w[th] the Hon[ble] President.

The Hon[ble] Comp[s] Letter which directs and empowers the Generall to fill up the Council of Fort S[t] George is a new Commission for that matter and of a later date then that w[ch] mentions the Hon[ble] Presid[t] so that althô the former should be allowed to exten[d] to the whole Commission, Yet I conceive it cannot include the powers given by a later, in another manner, being the only instance where y[e] Generall is empowered to act without his Councill.

The Generall letter from his Excell[cy] S[r] John Gayer to this place doeth advise that it is his opinion that the Hon[ble] President hath the full power of the Generalls Commission devolved on him, to which I pay all respect and obedience, and humbly hope [it] will not be imputed to me as a want of either that I differ in my sentiments, especially relateing to y[t] point of filling up the Councill, which may as well be done by the Generall when absent as present, but that opinion of his Excellency relates only to the Commission, and not to the subsequent powers remitted by Generall letters, I humbly conceive the Hon[ble] Company might thinke fitt to entrust their Presid[t] w[th] those powers mentioned in the Commission where the Generall is obliged to act with the advice of Councill, and yet it cannot be implyed from that when they give additionall powers of a great[er] extent, that those allso are included if the Hon[ble] President be not again mentioned.

The Hon[ble] President produces a private letter in which the Generall desires him to fill up the Councill, but doeth not mention in what manner either by his own single Authority, or w[th] the advise of his Councill.

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I humbly conceive the matter is very fitt to be done by Somebody, I allso thinke by the Honble Comps Generall His Excellency Sr John Gayer hath full power by his single authority to effect it, which Power if he can by a private letter delegate to ye Honble: President, I conceive it is a warrant for him now to fill up the Councill.

JO: DOLBEN.

TO THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON
PRESIDENT &CA COUNCILL.

Your Honr: &ca haveing been pleased to assign [me] part of the Judgement of the Mayors Court against Ship Resistance, I request that ye Remainder may be awarded me allso, towards a reparation of my Sufferings therein, which cannot justly be denyed me, since if part was my due, the whole must be so likewise, for if Mr Coventry had not appealed to our Court that judgement would have been put in execution wch since has fallen upon me for our condemning Said Ship to the Rt Honble: Compa: for their charges upon her in Bengall, wch they have long since been possest of, and been serviseable to them in severall voyages.

Yor Honr &ca.
Most humble servt.
ELIHU YALE.

20 Ship Loyall Capt: sailed out [of] this Road for Anno[re.]*

TUESDAY 21ST

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT & GOVR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT.
MR WM: FRASER. MR WM: HATSELL.

There being a balance of Pags 40 : 32 fans due to the Powderman on his accot in the time of Mr Pitts Storekeeper, and at the same time due from him 1 ca : 17 md : 20 lb of Powder, which the Storekeepr reports he hath since delivered. It is ordered that said Balance be paid him.

As to the Legall constructions & critical distinctions wch Mr Dolben makes in his exceptions to the foregoeing consultation, The President doeth refer them to the Rt Honble: Compas: consideration, not understanding how to distinguish so nicely between totall & par[tiall] power in the Commission, between power by Commission and power by subsequent genll: Letters, between power inherent in, and power delegated by the Generall. But he thinkes the plain English of the case is this that the Rt Honble Compa: in their Generall letter of the tenth of April 1693: do order the Generall Sr John Goldsborough to fill up ye Councill of Fort St George, which power upon his death devolves upon Sr John Gayer, to whom in February last we sent a copy of said Generall letter, and the copy of our Generall letter to the Rt Honble: Company in answr thereunto by the Samuel, in order to the receiving the Generall's directions. And the Presidt at the same time in a particular letter did earnes[tly] request the Generall that he would send his particular Orders. In answer to which the Generall in his letter to the President and Councill, declares it his opinion that the Presidt is fully empower'd by the Commission to act on this side India as fully as Sr John Goldsborough could doe were he alive, and in his lre to the President doeth leave it to him to fill up the Councill, and does give his opinion or direction for the takeing of Mr John Styleman into Councill tho' he be not now actually in ye Rt Honble Comps Service, upon these grounds therefore the President doeth proceed to the choise of three persons, and desires the Councills advice as to their fitness, and doeth in the first place recommend Mr John Styleman as the fittest person to serve the Rt Honble Compa in that employ (on condition he enters into ye useall Covenants) haveing

* 'Amoye' in the I.O. copy.

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had long experience of their affairs in India, and well versed in the methods of other nations w^{ch} may render him particularly serviseable, allso M^r Thomas Wright who has had long experience in the Paymasters business, and M^r Charles [Bar]well a person of known abilities, and y^e Councill delivering their opinion that they are fitly qualified for the Servise, The President doeth declare them chosen and added to the Councill wth submission to the further Orders of the R^t Hon^{ble} Company and their Generall of India, And y^e Secretary is ordered to give them notice to attend tomorrow morning.

NAT: HIGGINSON.

I humbly submit to my R^t Hon^{ble} Masters and his Excellency their Generall in India whether my exception to the preceeding consultation deserves the censure of lawfull constructions and critical distinctions, to criticise upon the Hon^{ble} Companys affairs in prejudice to their interest, is a breach of duty I hope I have not incur'd the imputation of; my poor opinion is that what I there said is the plain state and reason of the case but I did then and do now declare my ready submission to what the Generall or the Presid^t shall think fit to order altho I cannot consent the Hon^{ble} Presid^t demanding the advice of his Council whether M^r John Styleman be a fit person to be admitted in Council I do humbly declare it my opinion that he is incapable of sitting there, not being by the Hon^{ble} Company admitted into theire service. Had it pleasd God to continue S^r John Goldsborough alive I know of no letters or Commission that impowers him to do it, I humbly conceive the Generall S^r John Gayer may be surprisd in this matter and do not know that he was acquainted that M^r Stileman hath been once dismist by the Hon^{ble} Company their service or that there are those in the service capable to fill up the Council, I remember how cautious the late Commissary was in admitting M^r Mead to be a Factor, and therefore to avoid a repitition of exceptions do declare that I do not consent that any part of the R^t Hon^{ble} Companys affairs or estate be committed to the trust and management of M^r Stileman nor do allow any acco^{ts} of the same he shall bring in, proposeing before he be admitted that the matter be by the Hon^{ble} Presid^t & Council stated to the Generall.

JO: DOLBEN.

I am well & fully satisfied of M^r Stylemans honesty & abilities to qualifie him one of y^e Councill & should most willingly consent to it, were it conformable to y^e obedience we owe to y^e R^t Hon^{ble} Comp^s former & freq^t repeated orders.
W.F.

WILL: FRASER.
W^M: HATSELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION — WEDNESDAY 22^D.

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R JUDGE ADVOC^T
M^R W^M FRASER M^R W^M HATSELL.

One Matthew Strathern a Scotchman w[ho] formerly serv'd the Dutch, and has since serv'd the Mogull seaven years, comeing hither informed that two Souldiers Conrade Miller and Joseph Mayo who run from this Garrison are now in the Moors Camp, make their request by him, a pardon may be granted them that they may returne to their former Service. It is order'd that a pardon be granted them.

M^r John Styleman M^r Thomas Wright and M^r Charles Barwell being sent for, & acquaint[ed] that they are chosen to be of Councill here did accept

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thereof, But are not to take place in Councill till signing of ye usuall Covenants and Bonds.

Ordered that Pags 81 : 10 : be upon ye Peddenag[ues] request paid to Crispin de Rosairo out of ye money belonging to them, now in the Comps Cash being the halfe of what lost by the said Crispin de Rosairo from the seaside last year.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.

Pardons granted to Conrade Miller * and Joseph May[o].

THURSDAY 23RD

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WM FRASER MR WM HATSELL
MR JOHN STYLEMAN MR THOMS WRIGHT
MR CHAR[L]ES BARWELL.

Mr John Styleman Sign'd Indenture & Bond in 2000 ll. for serving the Rt Honble Compa three Years bearing date the 22d Instant, and the security allso Mr Richard Eliott and Mr George Herron signd a bond of one thousand pounds each there being a blanke left in the Indenture for salary which is by him referred to the Rt Honble Compa. Mr Thomas Wright signd his Indenture and bond dated 11th day of March 169$\frac{0}{1}$ wch were formerly upon new Security given in England sent out by the Rt Honble Company but omitted to be signed till now, the occasion of which was a scruple concerning the term of years therein inserted more then other Factors upon wch we find it ordered by a Consultation dated 18th June 1692 that he be as the rest, and that he take his degree according to Custome in such cases.

Mr Charles Barwell who came out of England under security as a freeman upon Ship Resolution in 1687, and afterwards by the Rt Honble Comps Generall lre date [*lacuna*] was Ordered Factor, and doeth upon this occasion signe an Indenture and bond in two thousand pound to serve the Rt Honble Compa three years from this date, and his Security allso Mr Edward Tredcroft and Mr Matthew Mildmay Sign'd a bond of one thousand pound each dated 22d Instant. Said Indentures & bonds of Mr Styleman and Mr Barwell are ordered [to] be copied at the end of this Consultation booke and to be sent home by the first Ship, that the Rt Honble Company [may] take further Security in England, if their Honrs do not approve of that taken here.

Mr Thoms Wright haveing taken his Oath in England, Mr John Styleman and Mr Char[les] Barwell did now freely take the Oath according to the printed forme usually taken by such as enter into the Rt Honble Companys Servise, and tooke place in Councill but [all] that has been done here by us relating to th[eire] being recd into Councill is submitted to ye pleas[ure] of the Rt Honble Company and the orders of the Generall of India.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
WM : HATSELL.
JO : STYLEMAN.
THO : WRIGHT.
CHA : BARWELL.

* 'Conrade Crispian *alias* Miller' in the I.O. copy.

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ATT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY 24TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT.
MR WILLM: FRASER MR WM: HATSELL
MR JO: STYLEMAN MR THO: WRIGHT
MR CHARLES BARWEL.

The warehouskeepr to send to Fort St. David by the first conveighance the foll: things.

Salt Petre Baggs ...	15
Goa Arrac Singll, hhds ...	2
Ditto Doubll, hhds ...	2
Danes wine, hhd ...	1
Shiraz wine Chests ...	3
Pegue Timbers ...	20
Planke ...	40

Doctor Blackwall being Comitted to ye custody of ye Lieventt of the guard by Order of Consultn, the 9th February 169¾ upon his application to ye Court of Admiralty obtain'd a writ of Habeas Corpus, wch the Lieventt of the guard produced to the Presidt. It is thereupon order'd that Doctr Blackwall be taken from the Custody of the Lievt. of the guard, and delivd into the Custody of the Martiall.

NATH: HIGGINSON.
JO: DOLBEN.
WILL: FRASER.
WM: HATSELL.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION. FRIDAY EVENING 24.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT.
MR WM: FRASER MR WM: HATSELL
MR JO: STYLEMAN MR THO: WRIGHT
MR CHA: BARWELL.

The Judge delivered his answer to Mr Fraser and Mr Hatsells papers of remarks upon the late triall, between the Rt Honble Company and the late President Yale in the Court of Admiralty whereupon the assistants being ask'd in wh[at] manner they gave their consents: Mr Fraser answers he did give his consent to ye Judge in the Judges Chamber upon the Statute [of] Limitations being alledged by the Judge [who] was of opinion that the money proved to be delivered was forced, thô upon the Judges alledging that the evidence was not a suffic[ient] evidence, because the principall evidence did not appear, he did acquies wth ye diffe[nce] that the money given to the defendt by the merchants, was sufficiently proved, [but] he believs the Merchts did not give all[wayes] their money willingly.

Mr Hatsell do's declare he was of opinion that four thousand Pags was proved to be delivered to the defendent, and that it was not done voluntarily and that he d[id] assent to the Judgement for one hundred Pags because the Judge alledg'd ye Statute of Limitations to be in Force. As to Mr Fraser the Judge doeth allow that he did declare that setting the Statute aside he could not

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give his opinion that the proofe was insufficient that Pag[s] four thousand was forced from the merchants in 1684. But as to M[r] Hatsell he doeth deny that he heard him express any such doubt or opinion but freely consented to the decree. M[r] Hatsell being thereupon further asked doeth declare that, his opinion was that the proofe was sufficient for pro[veing the use] of force, and do's remember that he did express his opinion that the proofe was sufficient for the delivery of the money, but do's confess he do's not remember that he did deliver his opinion that the proofe was sufficient concerning force.

1. By the foregoeing it do's app[r] y[t] y[e] assist[ts] did consent to the Judgement.

2. That the main ground of their consent (as to the four thousand Pag[s] in 1684) was upon the supposition that the statute of Limitations was in Force.

3. It is declared by the Assistants that laying aside said Statute, their opinion was that the money was not paid Voluntarily.

The further consideration hereof is referred till tomorrow morning.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
JO : DOLBEN.
WILL : FRASER.
W[M] : HATSELL.
JO : STYLEMAN.
THO : WRIGHT.
CHA : BARWELL.

SATTERDAY 25TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON[BLE] : NATH[LL] : HIGGINSON ESQ[R] : PRESID[T] : & GOV[R]
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ[R] JUDGE ADVOC[T]
M[R] W[M] : FRASER M[R] W[M] : HATSELL
M[R] JO : STYLEMAN M[R] THO : WRIGHT
M[R] CHA : BARWELL.

The Judge haveing given his opinion that thô there should be an error in opinion, [yet the] Judgement stands good in that Court for y[e] discharge of the defend[t] in that action, and of the attachments, and the action is at an end and therefore the attachm[ts] cannot be continued by virtue of that action. The Attorney Generall is therefore ordered to suffer the attachments to be taken off.

M[r] Fraser being asked what he remembered concerning M[r] Hatsells declaration of his consent in the Judges Chamber, doth declare that he doth not remember that M[r] Hatsell did express his opinion that the proofe of Force was good, but remembers that M[r] Hatsell did after the Judge had declared the Statute of Limitation in Force, said to M[r] Fraser if the Statute of Limitation be in Force what shall we say, he understanding the Law better then wee, And that the Judge did [in] their debate declare his opinion that setting aside the consideration of the statute, yet there was not sufficient proofe of Force there being two liveing wittnesses upon the place, Timapa & Allinga[ll] who were present when the Force w[as] alledged to be used and would not swe[are.]

The President read a paper relateing the late triall particularly as to the Judge his mannagem[t] thereof, w[ch] is referred to a further consideration when the Judge shall have given an answer thereun[to] (as he desires) on Thursday next.

M[r] Hatsell is ordered to returne to Fort S[t] David.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
WILL : FRASER.
JO : STYLEMAN.
THO : WRIGHT.
CHA : BARWELL.

25. This Evening M[r] Hatsell set out for Fort S[t] David.

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ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 30TH

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT: & GOVR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WM: FRASER MR JO: STYLEMAN
MR THO: WRIGHT MR CHA: BARWELL.

Mr William Fraser Warehouskeepr paid into the Rt Honble: Companyes Cash Pags Fifteen hundred on account goods sold.

The Judge delivered in an answer to ye Presidents Paper of the 25th Instant which was read in Councill and is referred to further consideration tomorrow morning.

Generall Letter to Fort St. David of this Date approved and signed

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILLM FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Delivered a Pass to Ship Sta: Rosa Augustin[e] Hart Owner bound for Pegue. 30

Dispatcht a generall letter to Fort St. David of this date incloseing Invoice and Bill of Lading for goods Laden on board a Country Boat.

Ship Bencoolen Merchant Ajeemera [owner] sailed for Tennasserree.

A Dutch ship passed by ye place to ye southward. 31

Ship Loyall Capt came into this Road from Trivetore.

About 5 a clocke ye evening the Presidt went to ye [new] garden attended by ye Councill, &ca and 40 souldiers to [meet] Sillaman Cawn, who being recover'd is returning to ye Camp. He presented a Horse valued about 70 * Pags, nine guns were fired at meeting and seaven at his goeing away. SEPTEMBR 4.

ATT A CONSULTATION — TUESDAY 4TH.

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR:
JOHN DOLBEN ESQR JUDGE ADVOCT
MR WM FRASER MR JO: STYLEMAN
MR THO: WRIGHT MR CHA: BARWELL.

The Attorney Generall paid into the Rt Honble: Comps Cash Pags two hundred being the money recovered by Judgment of the Court of Admiralty of the late President Yale, in an action between the Rt Honble: Company and him relateing to Vizagapatam.

The Church wardens of St Maries having on the third Instant paid into the Rt Honble: Comps Cash Pags twelve hundred at ten ℔ Cent interest ℔ ann for six months it is ordered that a bill be given them for the same.

The Beetle Farmers paid into the Rt Honble: Comps: Cash pa two hundred and Fiftey on yt account.

Ordered that Pags seaven hundred and Fiftey be paid Mr Thomas Wright Paymr for defraying charges garrison.

The Secretary read his accot of Passes for ye month of August and paid into the Rt Honble: Comps Cash Pags 15 : 12 fans.

Ordered that one halfe piece of Auror[a] and halfe a piece of cloth Rashes be presented to Sillamaun Cawn, he haveing Yesterday presented a Horse of abot yt Value.

* '170' in the I.O. copy.

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Judge Dolbens paper of the 30th past was againe read, and the Presidents answer thereunto dated 3d Instant, and the Judge repeating his request mentioned in his said paper yt he may be excused from sitting in Court, or attending in Councill, till the Honble: Compns pleasure be further known. Our resoluc̃on thereupon is referred till next Consultation day.

The Judge made a tender of Pags one hundred wth the interest, being the amot of the judgement of Court dated 13th June last.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

4 Ship Sta: Rosa Sailed for Pegue.

5 Last night Ship Diamond sail'd for Pegue.

This morning Sillaman Cawn returned to the Camp.

THURSDAY 6TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
MR WILLM FRASER MR JO: STYLEMAN
MR THO: WRIGHT MR CHA: BARWELL.

Mr Matt: Empson Provll Sea Customer paid into the Rt Honble Comps cash Pags 1600 on accot [of] Sea Custome and Mr Matt: Mildmay Provll Land Customer Pags 201: fa o: cn 8: on account [of] Land Custome.

Ordered that Pags 1893: 3: 2 be paid to Cojee Gregorie Pags 1873: 15: 1 Principall, and Pags 19: 24: 2 Interest in discharge of his Bond dated the 25th July 1694.

The whole day spent in examination of severall wittnesses against Anco, concerning his Scandalous and inpudent reflections upon the Company and the Government here. Allso his insolent behaviour in matters relating to the Court, which led us into the examination of Anco, Peddana and Vincattee Chittee, relating to three hundred Pags which Vincattee was awarded to pay by judgement of the Mayrs Court which money they do now all (being examined severally and jointly) agree was paid to Judge Dolben for procureing the releasemt of Anco from imprisonment, thô they do not agree in many circumstances.

Peddana and Vincattee were dismissed and Anco committed to the custody of the Marshall, in order to further examination.

The forementioned examinations relating to Mr Dolben containing matter of great import, that ought to be fully cleared, hath defer'd our intended resolution concerning him.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

SATERDAY 8.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDINARY

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR.
MR WILLM FRASER MR JO: STYLEMAN
MR THO: WRIGHT MR CHA: BARWELL.

Mr William Fraser Warehouskeepr paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags one thousand on accot [of] goods sold.

The Warehouskeeper is ordered to deliver twelve pieces of morees No. 8: & 9 to the Painter to be painted black, each of a different flow^{r} in order to the contracting with the Painters for the providing a quantity for Europe.

Duappa the Conicoply of the new Townes paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Cash Pag^{s} 304 on account of the said Townes.

Ordered that Pag^{s} Five hundred and Fiftey Four be paid to M^{r} Thom^{s} Wright Paymast^{r} for defraying charges garrison.

Ebeneazer Withinbrooke, and James Lee returning from the mines, where they had liberty to go in the service of Salvadore Rodrigues, are Ordered to be entered in y^{e} Gun Roome Crew from the 4th Instant, and Thom^{s} Gibson and Edward Love discharged.

The Paymaster is ordered to Pay Pag^{s} 19: 12: [4] to the Steward of the Hospitall being so much disbursed by him more then received for the maintainance of sick persons for the months of April, May, June and July, being occasioned by the providing of provisions as ordered by y^{e} Doctor, which cost so much more then the allowance, and by the maintainance of M^{r} Fowles who was formerly one of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Servants, and now reduced to a miserable condition by the Barbeirs, and not able to contribute any thing towards his owne support.

The Beetle Farm^{rs} paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} cash Pag^{s} 250 on that account.

The examinations of wittnesses taken on the Sixth Instant, copied, examined and signed in papers apart, and the severall wittnesses being ordered to write their own declarations in their own Language, severall of them deliv^{d} their Testimonies in writeing sign'd by themselves and swore to the truth thereof, which wth the rest when brought in, are ordered to be Translated, that they may be compared wth their former declarations.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Letters to the King of Ava and his four Principall Governours perused by y^{e} Councill and sent by Ant^{o} Silvas Ship to Senh^{r}. Gregory an Armenian Resident in Ava, w^{ch} bee by him delivered wth presents provided by Cojee Gregory Paron, for the Redemption of Barth^{o} Rodrigues his ship, men, and Cargo, who being an Inhabi^{t} of y^{e} place, and being bound from Acheen to Bengall, their provisions falling shor[t] called at Mortivan for a supply, where y^{e} Gov^{rs} (according to the custome of the place) made a seizure of all, because they were not bound for that Port. Allso for the recovery of the estate of Adrian Tilbury Dutchman, but long a married Inhabitant of y^{e} place, who dyeing in Pegue his Estate was seized by the Gov^{rs} and secured in the Kings goedown. 8

Received a Perwanna from Zulphaker Cawn, and one from Meirza Mahomod Mayhayde Buxe. 8

Ship Nossa Senhora De John Juan sailed for Pegue.

ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 10.

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOV^{R}
M^{R} WILLIAM FRASER   M^{R} JOHN STYLEMAN
M^{R} THOM^{S} WRIGHT   M^{R} CHARLES BARWELL.

M^{r} James Coventry Farmer of the wine Licence paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Cash Pag^{s} two hundred and two and eighteen fanams being for halfe a years rent due the first of July last past on that account.

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Anco being sent for and further examined [as] to the Informations given by Peddenaubee &c^a^ denies the whole charge, But alledges nothing materiall for his own justification, and there being further informations against him, our resolution concerning him is deferr'd till the Same be fully understood.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHAR: BARWELL.

THURSDAY 13TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^ HIGGINSON ESQ^R^ PRESID^T^ & GOV^R^
M^R^ WILLIAM FRASER — M^R^ JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R^ THOMAS WRIGHT — M^R^ CHARLES BARWELL.

M^r^ William Fraser Warehouskeeper read his warehouse account for the moneth of August last and paid into the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Companyes Cash Pag^s^ 111 : 20 : 5 : on acco^t^ Freight of Ships Madapoll^m^ and Armenian Merchant.

M^r^ Thomas Wright Paymaster read his Paymasters acco^ts^ for the moneth of July last.

Ordered that Richard Sims and George Ensworth be discharged from the GunRoome and Rich^d^ Barker entred.

Discoursed w^th^ the Fort St. George Merch^ts^ concerning their provideing of forty thous^d^ Pag^s^ Callicoes in a years time, w^th^ their own Stock to which they are to returne their answer tomorrow.

The Tobacco Farmers paid into the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Comp^s^ Cash Pag^s^ 233 : 12 fanams on that acco^t^.

Ordered that Pag^s^ 233 : 12 : be paid M^r^ Wright Paymaster to defray charges garrison.

Further examinations taken against Anco, from Rama, Vincatteeputtee, and Narso *

Discoursed concerning M^r^ Dolben and resolved, that tomorrow morning the Severall Declarations of Anco, Peddana, Vincattee &c^a^ so far as they relate to him be read in his p^r^sence in order to the receiving his answer.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

FRIDAY 14TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^ HIGGINSON ESQ^R^ PRESID^T^ & GOV^R^
JOHN DOLBEN ESQ^R^ JUDGE ADVOCATE
M^R^ WILLIAM FRASER — M^R^ JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R^ THOM^S^ WRIGHT — M^R^ CHARLES BARWELL.

On the 6^th^ Instant our resolution concerning M^r^ Dolben haveing been deferred by intervening examinations of Anco, Peddana, Vincatte &c^a^ which haveing been continued every consultation day, was the reason of M^r^ Dolbens not being summoned till this day.

The Declar[at]ions of Peddanaube &c^a^ relating to Anco and Peddena, Vincattee and Anco's relating to four Hundred Pag^s^ paid for the releasement of Anco were read to M^r^ Dolben. Hee being thereupon asked whether he did receive that money or no: doth desire to have the peruseall of said Declarations, before he gives answer to the question, and acquainting us that he was informed by one that heard it, that Anco should say, that if he would speake against the Judge, he might be free from imprisonment. Anco being thereupon sent for and

* 'Narran' in the I.O. copy.

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examined, denies that he said so. But doth say that two or three dayes before he was put in prison, he was told by some Buzarr people that the Judge was put out, and that he would come into trouble about the Judge.

Att the Judges request Anco was asked whether he paid, or promised any part or the whole of y^{e} twenty Pag^{s} he received of Rama to the Judge, or whether he paid or promised him any sume or sumes of money upon the account of any other such like business depending in the Court, except the four Hundred Pag^{s} paid for his own releasement, he answered no : nor any other.

The Judge being offered that the wittnesses should be all[so] sent for, to make answer to such questions as he should thinke fitt to propound to them, which he refused, giveing for his reason, that he was not heare when the first examinations were taken and then M^{r} Dolben withdrew.

M^{r} Dolben haveing desired that the declarations of Anco Peddana and Vincattee Puttee &c^{a} may be delivered to him that he may give his answer thereunto, it is considered that if the said declarations be deliv^{d} to him, it is in his power to defer giveing any answer thereunto for as many weeks or moneths as he shall thinke fitt, and therefore resolved not to deliver said papers at least till he shall have given an answer [to y^{e}] question put to him, whether he did receive the four hundred Pag^{s} alledged by Vincattee to be given to him for the releasement of Anco, or [noe].

Haveing spent much time in the peruseall of the state of the case in the triall between the R^{t} Honourable Company and the late Presid^{t} Yale wth the assistant's remarkes thereon, and the Judge[s] answer thereunto, the Presidents observation upon the same, proposed to the Councill the 25th August and the Judges answer thereunto of the 30th August, and the Presidents paper on the third of Septemb^{er} with the examinations aforementioned of Vincattee, Anco &c^{a} after much Debate and consideration of all matters relating to M^{r} Dolben which have been discoursed amongst us, our opinion is.

1. That the Statute of Limittations doth not include the said case between the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} and the late President Yale, and ought to be so interpreted in our Courts in the like cases.

2. That Judge Dolben hath not dealt fairly wth the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company in the said triall.

3. That the Judges not prosecuting Vincattee upon the scandall that was brought upon his reputation by Vincattees demanding & receiving money in his name for favouring causes in the Court, do's give an occasion to suspect him privy to those actions, being done above Eighteen moneths agoe, and gives a further credibility to the declarations of Vincattee, Anco, and Peddana, concerning four Hundred Pag^{s} rec^{d} by Judge Dolben for the releasement of Anco.

4. By the 28th paragraph of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} Generall Letter to Fort St. George dated y^{e} 10th April 1693, their H[on^{rs}] expressing a jealousy that he [could not be propiti]ous to their [affairs and] interest, do give [the President and] Councill power if they find him in any respect unfitt for their service to dismiss him.

Upon the whole it is our opinion that John Dolben Esq^{r} : second of Councill, is for the aforementioned reasons, unfitt for the R^{t}: Hon^{ble}: Comp^{as} : service, and therefore, it is resolved, that he is hereby dismissed from this Councill, and from the R^{t} : Hon^{ble}: Companyes service, till their Honours pleasure be further known and that in the meantime due respect be given to a person of his qua[lities] and abilities, in consideration of which it [is] a trouble to us to part with him.

The President produced a Commission under [the] Larger Seale of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company dat 10th : Ap^{rll}: 1693 revokeing their Commission unto John Dolben Esq^{r} dated the 15th February 1691 and appointing M^{r}: Will^{m} Fraser to be Judge of the Court of Admiralty in his roome, w^{ch} : came open in the Packett by the Royall James and Mary, and wth : it a lre Sign'd by theire Committees dated 10th April 1693, directed to the Generall of India resideing at Fort S^{t} George appointing

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that the same Commission be made use of as occasion shall require, the Consideration [of] wh[ich is] deferred at Mr: Fraser['s] request till next Consultation.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

[SA]TURDAY 15TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT: & GOVR:
MR WM: FRASER MR JO: STYLEMAN
MR THO: WRIGHT MR CHA: BARWELL.

Mr: Dolben being sent for, the Secretary read our Yesterdays resolve relateing to his dismission, in which he declares he doeth acquies, but observes that the Rt: Honble: Comps: Generall Letter doeth order his dismission by the President and Majority of Councill, and he haveing formerly objected against the dismission of Mr: Styleman, Mr: Wright and Mr: Barwell of Councill, thinkes there remaining none but Mr: Fraser of the Councill, he is not dismissed by the Majority of Councill, and desireing his objection might be noted, was desired to give it in writeing, not well understanding the nicety of his distin[c]tions.

Generall Letter to the Rt: Honble: Company dated ys day read, approved, and ordered to be ingrossed, to be sent to the Governour and Council of Tringombar for conveighance by the Danes Ship, allso a genll: Letter to Fort St: David, read, approved and signed.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

15 Dispatch't a Generall Letter to Fort St: David incloseing Invoice and Bill of Lading for se[verall] necessaries sent them by a country Boat. Also ordereing them to forward a letter sent therewith (by fresh Peons) to the Governour and Councill of Tringombar. Inclosed in said Letter went generall Lr̄e of this date to the Rt: Honble: Company to be sent by the Danish Ship, which wee h[eard] is suddainly to be dispatch'd for Europe.

MONDAY 17TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVR.
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JOHN STYLEMAN
MR THOMAS WRIGHT MR CHARLES BARWELL.

Mr William Fraser warehouskeeper paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Pags Fiveteen hundred on account goods sold.

The Consideration of the Commission mencōn[ed] on the 14 Instant being referred to this day, [it is] resolved.

1. That it is not fitt that Mr Dolben contin[ue] Judge of the Court of Admiralty.

2. That his Commission cannot be vacua[ted] but by executing the latter Commission.

3. It is therefore resolved that the said Comm[ission] appointing Mr William Fraser Judge of ye Court of Admiralty be executed.

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4. That [of the] seaven persons therein nom[inated] for the chose[ing of] two assistants, there are [but four] Survivors, M^r William Hatsell, M^r Simon Holcombe, M^r John Pitt, M^r Edmund Mountague, of which it is resolved that M^r William Hatsell and M^r Edmund Mountague be appointed assistants to the said Judge.

The said Commission to be executed on Saturday the twenty second Instant, by the President and Councill in the Court House, at Ten a clocke in the morning.

Ordered that the Register of the Court of Admiralty do on Thursday next produce to this Board the Registers of the Court, wth: an account of all moneys deposited in the custody of the Court and the actions relateing to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company now depending.

Discoursed concerning the appointing the employments of the Councill, the conclusion whereof is referred till Thursday.

NAT: HIGGINSON
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Received a Generall Letter from M^r Braborne att Rethorah wth their agreem^t: 18
wth: the Queen [and] a draught of the place where they intend [to] Build a Fort. Thereupon dispatch't a ge[nerall] Letter to Fort St. David of this date, under the same cover a generall letter to the R^t [Hon^{ble}] company of same date, encloseing cop[pies of] said papers received from M^r. Braborn[e wth] orders to forward said letter to the Gover[nour] and Councill of Tringombar.

Received advice from Zulphaker Cawns [camp] that he has seized Arse- 18
monaigue and [put] him in irons, and that they had m[ade an] attaque upon Chingee, and were reso[lved] to take the place.

This Evening M^r Constable and M^r W[alton] arrived from Fort S^t David, and brought [a] Generall lr̃e from the Deputy Govern[our] &c^a dated the 13th Instant.

Received a generall Letter from Vizaga[patam] Dated the 22^d and 28 19
August last wth copy [of] Ship Tankreds Invoice and Bill of Ladeing for Bengall, and Copy of their Mercha[nts] Contract for Pag^s ten thousand. Said [letter] advises that Chitteram Rajah of Comely [hath] revolted from the Seir Lasscarr, and raised [forces] and destroyed the Rajah of Putnore,* and [is now] goeing to joine himselfe wth Sumberdee [and] that a ship of M^r Holcombes called y^e Kath-[erine] was chased by a large French ship, and after she had gott over the Barr of Ganja[m she] was forced ashoare by the Freshes & Curra[nts]. The Same Peons brought a lr̃e from M^r Phillip [Snodon] to the President dated the 14th July and 6 Septem[ber 1694].

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 20.

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R. JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOMAS WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

M^r John Pitt his Storekeepers acco^t haveing been examined by the President, he observed therein a large acco^t of Timbers and Planke expended at deare rates, concerning which M^r Pitt on the 30th May delivered a paper (entred after this Consultation) and an entry of some sum̃es paid, which were not actually paid and thereupon requireing an acco^t of receipts, and the said rec^{ts} produced being examined with the acco^{ts} it do's appear there are many entries of Stores bought to a considerable amount, for w^{ch} M^r Pitt doth produce no receipts, but the acco^{ts} of the Issue of Said Stores, agreeing with the acco^t of stores bo^t and M^r Pitt

* 'Putmore' in the I.O. copy.

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alledging that the reason why he tooke no receipts for severall sum̃es was, because they were discharged in acco^{ts} wth severall persons, and offering a Bond of Five thousand Pag^{ds} to save the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company harmlesse from all demands on such sum̃es for which receipts are wanting. It is ordered that the said Balance of his said Storekeepers acco^{t} Pag^{ds} 452 : 29 : 3 be paid him, upon delivery of such bond, and giveing a receipt expressing [him]self, liable to make good all Errors that ma[y] here after appear.

The Pavement round about the Fort being defective, the Paymaster is ordered to repair [the] same with old broken Bricks.

Ordered that the Paymaster do provide two Hundred thousand Bricks before the mons[oons] Sett in and take care to put the same into [sacks and cover] them wth cajans to secure them from [re]ceiving dam̃age by the raines.

M^{r} William Fraser Storekeeper paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{y} cash Pag^{s} 200 on acco^{t} [of] Stores so[uld] and M^{r} Edward Tredcroft Register of the Court of Admiralty Pag^{s} 48 : 34 : on acco^{t} Court Fees.

Complaints being made of the scarsity of [Paddy] and the poor Inhabitants in want of daily sup[port] and the graine Conicoply produceing a List of [two] Hundred and twenty garse in the towne for [sale] belonging to severall persons who keep the same in Store at the sea side and in the B[lack] towne, and refuse to sell at present to raise [the] price higher. It is ordered that dureing the scarsity at least three garse of Paddy be sold [every] Day for the supply of the poor, not dearer then Fourteen mercall for one Pagoda, and if [any] person mentioned in the said list shall refuse to expose to sale upon this order, one quar-[ter] part of their Store, It is resolved that his [whole] quantity shall be exposed to sale at the ra[te] of a mercall in a Pagoda cheaper, and y^{e} Choultry Justices, and Sea Customers are orderd to see it execut[ed.]

M^{r} Tredcroft according to the Order made last Consultation produced an acco^{t} of money in the custody of the Court &c^{a}. But it not being perfect was returned him to finish against next Saturday morning.

The appointment of the employments of the Councill referred till Monday the 24 Instant.

Upon M^{r} Gibbons arriveall the Generall Bookes and acco^{ts} of Indapoora Factory being demanded of him, he alledged that there were no generall Bookes made, and that there were severall acco^{ts} wanting of severall persons who dyed, and had omitted to bring them up and that of the acco^{ts} which were at Indapoora, some were left behind, because when they left the Factory he was forced to steale away, & had not an oppertunity to bring them wth : him, and that the acco^{ts} w^{ch} he had brought wth him were imperfect, M^{r} Gibbons was thereupon Ordered by Consultation [*lacuna in the original*] to cause the Gen^{ll} Bookes to be made out of such acco^{ts} and papers as he has, and M^{r} Butterfeild was appointed to assist therein and they do now produce two paire of Bookes journall and Ledger, the first Commencing the 17th September 1686, the time of M^{r} Gibbons first arriveing Cheif at Indapora ending 30th September 1690, being the time M^{r} Gibbons did as he alledgeth deliver up the Godowne to M^{r} Ambrose Moody. The second paire commencing the first of the October 1690 and ending 23^{d} May 1693 the time of their leaving the Factory. Together wth a list of the severall Bookes and papers of acco^{ts} out of which the Journall [and Ledger] of the said Generall Bookes are composed, being from N^{o}. 1 to N^{o}. 95 unto w^{ch} the severall Entryes in the Journall do referr, by noting the numbers upon which it is observed that severall of y^{e} Bookes and papers are not signed and those that are signed not approved, or past by any act of Consultation, and some are but memorand^{ms} made here, by M^{r} Gibbons out of loose papers and his memory, which require further consideration, how far the same are to be allowed. But takeing the Bookes as they are, there do's app^{r} that at the time of leaving the Factory on the 23^{d} May 1693 there was Remaining in Debts goods &c^{a} R^{s} $\frac{8}{8}$ 33632 which are lost to the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} by quitting the Factory and therefore it is ordered that M^{r} Gibbons do give a particular acco^{t} of each sum̃e of the said remains, and

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what is become thereof, and why the same ought not to be charged to his acco[t] and that he pro[duce] all the receipts he has for moneys delivered out of cash.

[Upon an examination of severall of the stewards acco[ts], acco[t] of Cash, &c[a], from No. 1 to 15 there being many entries which doth att first sight appear unreasonable charges amounting to Rs. $\frac{a}{8}$ 6589 : 5 : It is ordered that y[e] acco[t] thereof be delivered to Mr. Gibbons, that he may give his answer thereunto.

NATT[LL]: HIGGINSON.
W[M]: FRAZER.
JOHN: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

TO THE HON[BLE]: NATT[LL]: HIGGINSON ESQ[R].
PRESIDENT & GOVERN[R]: &[CA] COUNCILL.

John Pitt's defence to an objection made in the Consultation of the 23 Instant to his high charge of timbers and Planke in his storekeepers accompts.

May it please Y[r] Honour &c[a].

In the month of March 1689–90 or thereabouts there arrived att this Port from Pegue the shipps James and George laden with timbers &c[a] the James' were Presentley bought up by Messrs: Browne and Alford, and in the Month of Ap[r]: 1690, being ordered Prov[ll]: Storekeeper, and finding one ships Cargo of Timbers &c[a] to be already bought up, I moved the President and Councill y[t] a provision might be made for the Hon[ble]: Comp[a]: before the Georges were bought up too, upon which they ordered a quantity of timbers to be bought (for Planke they had already in store) for the use of the garrison &c[a] which I did to the amount (77) which were approved off and looked upon [as] a sufficient supply for one yeare, presentley after the remaining part of that shipps Cargo was bought up by y[e] same Persons and some time after, I came in a part with them, in the timbers and planks soe bought (the Hon[ble]: Comp[a]: being already furnished) after much perswasions for I could not believe it would turne to anny acco[t]:, the quantity both being great, and the Recovery designed for Pegue the same yeare, but y[e] said shipp looseing her passage, when the Hon[ble]: Comp[a]: stores of timber and planke were expended, haveing further occasion for y[e] provision of Fort St. David new stables &c[a]. they were furnished by me, out of the parcell so bought by Mr. Browne &c[a]. att the then Markett prizes, as may appeare by y[e] Compareing them with y[e] prizes of great quantityes sold Mr. Affleck, Senhor Alvara de Fonseca, and severall other Gent: upon the place, which is y[e] true state of y[e] buissiness now depending, and will be I hope satisfactory into y[r] Hon[r]: &c[a]. to whose prudent Judgment I submitt myself, and subscribe.

Fort S[t]. George
30th of July 1694.

Y[r]. Honours &c[a].
Most obedient hum[ble]: serv[t]:
JOHN PITT.

ATT A CONSULTATION SATTURDAY 22D

Present

THE HON[BLE]: NATT[LL]: HIGGINSON ESQ[R]. &C[A]
MR. W[M]. FRAZER MR. JOHN STYLEMAN
MR. THO: WRIGHT MR. CHA: BARWELL

Generall Lett[re]: to Bengall and Vizagapatam dated y[e] 21[st] read and approved.
Tho: Gutteridge a souldier who run from the Garrison and hid himself in St. Thoma being apprehended there by our Talliars, the Fousdar would not permitt him to be brought away without a lett[r]. from y[e] Presid[t]., the cheife Dubash was therefore sent with y[e] Presid[ts]. lett[r]. to him, w[th] orders if he could not otherwise

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prevaile, he might promise y^e Fousdar 2 yards of Aurora, and that the runaway should be pardoned, being willing to have him brought as soon as possible wee can, understanding all the Countrey Languages, and his being deliv^d. by y^e Fousdar will discourage other runaways from sheltering there.

The Secretary being to acquaint Mr. Dolben with our resolve of y^e 17 Instant for publishing y^e R^t. Hon^ble: Comp^s. Commission of the 10th of Ap^r. 1693 appointing Mr. W^m. Frazer Judge in his roome, to know if he had anything to offer to us concerning it, to which message he returned for answer, that y^e R^t. Hon^ble: Company were Masters, and might dispose of theire places as they thought fitt, and then the Councill adjourned to y^e Court House for publishing said Commission.

NATT^LL: HIGGINSON
W^M. FRAZER
JOHN STYLEMAN
THO. WRIGHT
CHA: BARWELL]

[Lett^rs and] Travailers from Zulphaker Cawn [confirme the] report of his haveing seized [Arsemona]gue and add, that he and [his] family [is since slaine] by the Generalls order and his [jaggeer of] the Pullemullee country given to [Gousbar Cawn] It is said that Zulphaker [Cawn] long since received orders from [y^e mogull] for seizing Arsemonague kept [the same private] till the very hour wherein he had the oppertunity to execute it, which he effected by calling a Councill of all the officers of the army concerning the best method of takeing Chingee, when he sent out all the[ire] servants under pretence of privacy, and [then] called in twelve men appointed who surprized and bound him in Councill.

Dispatch't a Generall lett^r to the Cheif &c^a [Councill] at Vizagapa^tm dated 21 Instant and by y^e same peons sent a Generall Letter to the Agent &c^a [att] Bengall of ditto date ordering [y^m to] forward it as soon as received.

MONDAY 24TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER — M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOMAS WRIGHT — M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

The President read his Acco^t of the R^t Hon^ble [Comp^s] cash for the moneth of August, the balance [being] Pag^s 4528 : 30 : 3 and paid in Pag^s 216 on acco^t of [Gold] coined in the mint.

M^r William Fraser warehouskeeper p[aid in]to the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Cash Pag^s one thousand [on] account goods sold.

Ship Recovery alias S^t Marke haveing sailed on Friday from this Port towards S^t Thoma [with] out notice given to the Govern^r or clearing [at y^e] Custom house. The owners of the ship were ordered to attend Viz^t M^r Chardin, Cojee Gregorie and Cojee Stephen Marco, who thô so well acquain[ted] w^th the Publick orders of the place, pretend[ing] Ignorance, and thô the ship is sailed out off the Road, yet the Master remains still upon the place, and that they have paid all Duties and since the sailing of the ship it apearing that there has been three hundred and thirty two baggs of Salt Petre laden upon her w^th out leave, they alledge that the same doth not belong to themselves, but was laden by a Portugueze on Freight for Goa, and did suppose the owner had leave, being shipped off openly at the Sea Gate by the permission of the Custom house officers.

M^r Empson the Customer and Searcher doth declare he knew nothing of any saltpetre shipped aboard, and M^r. Morrice the undersearcher that he knew of no more than forty Baggs, which he permitted to pass not knowing that saltpetre was forbidden to be exported, and if more went off, it must be carried amongst

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the baggs of Sugar of which above two thous[d] has been shipped off, upon the whole [it] is at present ordered, and now declared to y[e] owners that they cause their Ship to returne into the Road againe.

Ordered that Pag[s] 1647 : 23 be paid the President, being so much borrowed of him on the second day of August last, payable on demand.

M[r] Fraser delivers in a paper of y[e] date (which is ordered to be entered after this Consultation) giveing his reasons for desireing to be excused from the station and employ of second concerning which it is observed.—

1. That the station of second doth belong to M[r] Fraser by succession, and by Virtue of the Commission, and the employ belonging to that station by the Common Rule is the Generall Bookes.

2. That the Generall Bookes have been occasionally appointed to other persons of lower standing and therefore M[r] Fraser excuseing himselfe for the present but desireing it may be no bar for the future when his Scruples are cleared, it is allowed, and resolved as followe[th] [Viz[t]].

That M[r] Fraser do continue in his present employment of warehousekeeper and M[r] John Styleman to take charge of the Generall Bookes, and to receive all Bookes and papers from M[r]. Dolben by List, and to begin w[th] Bookes N. N. Commencing the first May last (M[r] Walsh being appointed by Consultation [*lacuna*] to bring them up to that time) and to read the monethly acco[ts] of the Journall in Consultation monethly, or as they shall be brought up and M[r] Thomas Wright to continue in his Paymasters employ. M[r] Charles Barwell to be Sea Customer, and that M[r] Edmund Mountagu be Prov[ll] Land Customer, and to enter on their employments the first of next moneth. The appointment of the severall employm[ts] of the rest of the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] servants is referred till our next meeting.

Narrain the Cheif Dubash comeing on Saturday night from S[t.] Thoma brought a letter from the Fousdar, acquainting that he had delivered Thomas Gutterridge to y[e] Portugueze Cap[t] Moore, who demanded him because he was turned Papist, and that y[e] Cap[t] Moore do's refuse to deliver him thô demanded thrice while Narrain was there; Resolved that a letter (as entred in the copy Booke of letters) be written and sent to the Cap[t] Moore.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

TO THE HON[BLE] NATH[LL] HIGGINSON ESQ[R]
PRESIDENT AND GOV[R] OF FORT S[T] GEORGE &C[A] COUNCILL.

The Worp[ll] John Dolben Esq[r] late Second of Councill haveing been dismissed the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] service according to an act of Councill of the 14[th] Instant, by which the Seconds place becomes vacant, and your Hon[r] haveing intimated the same to the Coun[c]ill in order to their being setled in their severall stations and employes according to their degrees, Yo[r] Hon[r] was pleased to name me as next and of right to succeed to the Seconds place in the roome of M[r] Dolben or otherwise to shew cause for excuseing myselfe for not accepting the same, and to clear your Hon[r] from anything as might be imputed as a designe in your Hon[r] to put me by my right, in this manner with other kindly expressions in my favour your Hon[r] was pleased to declare yourselfe which I thankfully acknowledge. But to the subject matter now in hand, and that I cannot avoid the severall scruples w[ch] prevailes w[th] me, for desireing my being excused (at p[r] sent) to succeed M[r] Dolbens place in Councill, the foll reasons are humbly offered to your Hon[r] &c[a] consideration.

1. Haveing differed in opinion w[th] Judge Dolben in the Judgement and Decree of Court given by him in the late triall between the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[a] and

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the late Presid^t Yale, the same may (tho injustly) give a suspition as if I design'd a prejudice to M^r Dolben to advance myselfe, and would readily be believed so, if I should on the suddain succeed and take up his place in Councill.

2^ly. The advices sent to the R^t Hon^ble Comp^a by the Berkley Castle, as well as the late Commissary Generall's particular letters, to some or severall of the Committees relating to the Hon^ble Comp^s affairs, especially to that part w^ch was M^r Dolbens concern Judge, in putting the R^t Hon^ble Comp^a in the right method of prosecuting & recovering Damages of the late Presid^t Yale, M^r Nicks [&c^a] which advices so sent might probably recommend M^r Dolben to the Hon^ble Comp^ss favour & their better opinion of him, by which the Hon^ble Comp^a will perceive that there was a good understanding and a firm freindship continued between the late Commissary Gen^ll and M^r Dolben, uppon which supposition it may be conjectured that the Hon^ble Company may reverse their former orders by the Royall James and Mary concerning him, and then it will be a point of consideration to recon-[cile] said orders with the late circumstances that have happened upon his being dismissed the Hon^ble Comp^s service here.

3^ly. I have upon me now the care and charge of two employes Viz^t the warehouse and storek[^rs] place which may take up a considerab^le: time in takeing the true remains, seeing a great part is poizable goods, and the like time or longer would be taken up if matters so happen[ed] in receiving the acco^t remains by retur[ning] to my present station againe.

4^ly. I confess the employ of the second [which] is the Generall Bookes, must of necessity be carried on, but your Hon^r may please to appoint that some other of the Councill that are not yet setled in any employ, and may have more leizure then I can promise myselfe under the severall charges that lye upon me, therefore I humbly request your Hon^r &c^a to excuse me at present from the charge of the Generall Bookes, but shall endeavour as soone as time and occasion shall serve, to comply with your Hon^rs &c^a desire in this matter, as well as anything elce in which I may approve myselfe.

Fort S^t George,
24^th Sep^br: 1694.

Hon^ble: &c^a
Yo^r Hon^r &c^a most hum^ble Serv^t
WILLIAM FRASER.

WEDNESDAY 26TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOMAS WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

The Portugueze Fidalgo Lewis Francisco, who had laden three hundred and thirty two baggs of saltpetre aboard ship S^t Marke being sent for do's declare that he did not know, nor ever heard that the exportation of salt petre was forbiden and that he had shipped that off in the same manner as other goods, by sending his ser[vant] down with it to the sea side, where a consi[derable] part of it lay a day or two, because the sea w[ould] not permit the shipping it off, that he being a stranger and unacquainted w^th the orders here, he had no reason to thinke it was forbiden, it being permitted to be shipped off by y^e Custom House Officers and that the salt petre was by order of the Viceroy of Goa, which he prod[uced] and is to be delivered to him for the King of Portugall, and offers to give a writeing for that purpose.

It is considered that he is a stranger and may be unacquainted with the Orders, and that the Custome house officers are blameable for their great neglect, and haveing no reason to suspect that the salt petre is designed for the French, it is ordered that the Fidalgo hav[eing] to proceed with the Salt petre for Goa, he and the Master giveing their obligations for the delivery of it there.

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The owners of ship St Marke haveing caused the ship to be brought into the Road according to ou[r] order, and the Customer certifieing they had clear[ed] all the accots at the Custome house, they were war[ned] to observe the orders better for the future, and upon their promise so to do, the ship is permitted to sa[ile].

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Delivered a Pass to Ship St Marke belonging to the Armenians Bound for Persia.

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 27TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JOHN STYLEMAN
MR THOMAS WRIGHT MR CHARLES BARWELL.

Ordered that Erasmus Quint be gunners mate of the out workes.

Richard Ware being yesterday sent wth a letter dated the 24 Instant to Capt Moore of St Thoma, brought his answer wch: refuses to deliver Thomas Gutteridge, and in the evening [came] another letter intimating that he would returne, if we would give him Security that we would do him no harme. Thereupon a second letter was written of ys Date, to be sent tomorrow morning by Richd Ware, possitively demanding the delivery of the runaway.

Nabob Zulphaker Cawn haveing by his Perwanna received yesterday, ordered ye Paymt of the Towne rent money due for one year in June last to Hajee* Mahomod Allee. Tis Order'd that the same be paid him, who desireing for the Nabobs use Ten Candy of salt petre, and about Eighty Candy of Lead in part of ye rent moneys.

The warehouskeeper is ordered to deliver ye first at Pags 14 ℔ Candy and the latter at Pags 11 ℔ Candy but the Lead to be accounted in the rent money at Pags 11½ ℔ Candy, and the difference to be made good to Hajee* Mahomod Allee in Europe Broad cloth.

The Employments of the Rt Honble Comps Ser[vants] appointed as followeth Vizt.

The Presidt under him.

Mr Stephen Frewen Fact[or].
Mr John Bultell† writer [to] assist in ye mint & Secry busin[ess] [as] occasion requires.

Mr Wm: Fraser warehouskeepr

Mr Joseph Hiller Factor to assi[st in the] Godown of Europe Stores & g[oods] and to keep a Ledger accot the[reof].
Mr Edwd Tredcroft mercht, Mr Matt: Mead Factor } to assi[st in] sorting [goods].
Mr Tho: Lovell Factor to assist in me[asureing] and Embaleing.

Mr John Styleman ye Genll Bookes.

Mr Enoch Walsh mercht to finish ye [bookes] ending in April 1693.
Mr Wm: Vandenancher writer, Mr Nathll: Walsh writer } to assist [with the] Bookes.
Mr Trevor Games Factor.

Mr Thoms Wright Paymr

Mr Edwd Thompson Factor his as[sistant].

* 'Kajee' in the I.O. copy. † I.O. copy reads 'Bulteell.'

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Mr Charles Barwell Sea Custom r.
Mr Matt: Empson Mercht Searcher.
Mr Will: Morrice Factr under searc[her].
Mr John Meverell Mercht Receiver.
Mr Joseph Lester Writer.
Mr Batson Pearson Writer.
Mr Edmd Mountague Provll Land Customr & Collector of ye new Towns.
Mr Matthew Mildmay Factr } his assis[tants].
Mr John Penford Factor }
Mr Thoms Wigmore Secretary.
Mr Joseph Chapman Factor.
Mr James Harris Factor.
Mr John Hinchman }
Mr Edmund Bugden } Writers.
Mr Thomas Harris }
Mr Thomas Walton }
Mr John Foquet * Rentll Generall.
Mr Edwd Bauguss Translater of Persia & Gentue lres recd and sent.
Mr Matt: Empson } to bring up the accots of the Sea Ga[te]
Mr John Meverell }
to the 1st October, and in the meantime Mr Tho: Marshall and Mr Gu[l]ston Addison to officiate in their stead.
Mr James Sowden } to be employed in copying Generall Bookes &ca if occasion requires.
Mr John Pitt }
Mr Daniel Dubois }

To be sent to Fort St David.

Mr John Butterfeild Sea Customer at Cuddalore.
Mr Henry Mupesson Writer.

Generall letter to Fort St David dat: the 25th Instant read approved and signed.

There being an Error in the Sea Custome accots which has run through four or five the last Sea Customers time, by which there stands severall Debts in the Generall Bookes under their Heads, that the true reason seems to be the omission of right stating the receivers and Conicoplies accompts wth the Sea Customers accompts, wch the President haveing Ordered the severall persons now concern'd in the Sea Custome accompts to examine and sta[te] in order to finding out the said errors, but is not yet done. It is therefore Ordered that all now concern'd in the accompts of the Sea Customes be all removed and others put in their places till they shall have effected it, Vizt Mr Empson & Mr Meverall and all the Conicoplies, who are to bring up all the accots stated for all Imports and Exports before the first day of October next, from wch time Mr. Barwell to commence his accot.

There haveing been Severall complaints of goods stolen lately from the sea side and Sea Gate, occasioned by the knavery or negligence of the Peons and Talliars appointed to watch. It is ordered that all the Peons now employed there be changed, and others put in their places and that the Peddenagues do keepe five Talliars watching every night at the sea side, at equal distance one from another between Point and Point, and of the Peons belonging to the sea side and Sea Gate to watch by turns' two every night without the gate and [two] within and if either Peon or Talliar apoint[ed] to watch shall be found sleeping or absent from his appointed Post at any time of ye night, the person offending shall by the Sea Customer be caused to be whipped from Point to Point, and shall receive Five Lashe[s] at each of the five appointed Posts and be discarded.

The Surratt Generall Letter dated 24th June, and received the 6th August, adviseth of a Bill drawn on the President and Council of Fort St. George for Pags 3428 ⅔ value Rups 12000 paid into the Rt Honble Comps Cash there by Messrs Annesly Colt and Stanly, and pay [able] to the President, which Bill the President

* 'Focquet' in the I.O. copy.

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now produces. But haveing had no money in cash ever since but what is borrowed [at interest] and if the said bill be paid, must bor[row more] at interest for that purpose, and th[e Presidt] declareing he has at length met wth [an oppertunity] by Cojee Senarr to answer the occasions of Messrs Annesly &ca without demand [ing the] same of the Companyes cash. It is re[solved that] a Bill be drawn on the President and [Councill] of Surattt for the same sume of Rup[ees 12000] payable to Messrs Annesly Colt and Stanly that our accompts may accord with [theirs] that accot Currt London be Debted and Cr[edited] for the said sume Drawn and remitt[ed].

Ordered that Mr John Styleman do give [notice] to the heads of the severall Casts mention[ed in] the lists of his assesments to attend on Thursday next that they may [be] discoursed in order to [the] Leavying of a Tax on the Inhabitants of [the] Citty towards the paying the Corporation Debt for building the Town Hall.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Dispatcht a Generall Letter to Fort St. David Dated the 25th Instant. Enclosed sent Mr Constable accot Disbursements on Ship Maddapollam. 28TH

Briggantine Eagle John Cockroft master arrived from Vizagapatam and brought a Generall Letter dated [2nd] September 1694 wth Invoice and Bill of Lading for what sent by Briggantine Eagle, allso copyes of theire Generall Letters dat. 18th and 28th August last and copies of their Consultations and Diaries from the 5th July 1694 to the 5 Sepbr Ditto, and copy of their Protest delivered Mr Cockroft dat. 3 Sepbr and his answer thereunto dat. 4 ditto, And their Generall Bookes Z — L commencing the pmo May 1693 ending ye [30th] of April 1694. The following paper was sent to the Councill and signed Vizt. 29

The Briggantine Eagle being arrived from Vizagapatam it is ordered that the warehousekeepr do cause the Rt Honble Comps Bales &ca to be unladen forthwith.

NATH: HIGGINSON.
WILLIAM FRASER.
JNO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHARLES BARWELL.

Dispatch't a Generall letter to the [Worshipfull] John Braborne Commodore &ca Councill [att] Rethorah.*

Briggantine Kedgree Thoms Sheph[eard] arrived from Vizagapatam, and br[ought] us a generall letter from the Cheif [&ca dated] 11th Sepbr 1694. Ship Welcome John Smith ma[ster arrived] from Bengall and brought a genll [letter] from the Agent, &ca dated 22d August [1694 with] Copy of their letter dated the 31 July [last] sent overland, which is not yet re[ceived] wth severall papers relating to the I[nvoice] and Accots relating to Messrs Trenchfe[ild &ca,] Sowdon &ca papers as ℘ List entred in the [coppy] Booke of Letters. OCTOBR 1ST

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 1.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT [& GOVR]
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JOHN STYLEMAN
MR THOMS WRIGHT MR CHARLES BARWELL.

The Generall Letter and papers from B[engall] perused and a letter to the Generall of In[dia] Dated the 28 past [received] wth the additionall [advices] from Vizagapatam and Bengall dated 29th Sepbr and first of October.

* 'Vittoor' in the I.O. copy.

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Mr Empson and Mr Meverell were sent [for] and acquainted with our Order of the 27th [past] for their true stating the accompts of the Sea Customes to the present Instant and Mr Marshall and Mr Addison being likewise Sent for, were ordered to officiate in their places till said accompts were finished.

Mr Pitt haveing paid Mr Wright Seaventy Pags being wages due to Lasscarrs belonging to ship Bencoolen which died in the Voyage. Hee is ordered to keepe the same three months and if none of the relations of the deceased appeare to make demands in said time, to p[ay] it into the Rt Honble Companyes Cash.

N : HIGGINSON.
WILL : FRASER.
JO : STYLEMAN.
THO : WRIGHT.
CHA : BARWELL.

1 Ship Welfare Tho : Child mastr came into this Road this Evening from Bengall.

2 Ship Dilligence William Rogers master arriv'd from Vizagapatam and brought a generall Lře from the Cheif &ca dated 22d September 1694 and a generall from the Agent and Councill of Bengall dated 31st July last past with ye severall other papers as ℘ List sent overland, accompas which from Ballasore came a generall Letter from the Governour and Councill of Yorke Fort dated the 21st July 1694 recd there by Ship Royall James and Mary [with] the severall other papers mentioned [in the] List and by all circumstances 'tis b[elieved] that the Ship which appear'd at Gan[jam] and supposed to be a French Ship, wa[s the] Royall James and Mary.

THURSDAY 4.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JOHN STYLEMAN
MR THOMS WRIGHT MR CHARLES BARWELL.

Ordered that Pags three thousand & [fifty] three ten fanams and one Cash be paid [John] Dolben Esqr. being for Pags three thousa[nd] Principall on a bond dated the 30th July [1694] wth the Interest.

Ordered that Pags one thousand be paid Mr [Thomas] Wright Paymaster for the exchanging [of] Silver Fanams for the paddy merchants.

Mr William Fraser Warehouskeepr p[aid into] the Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags one thous[and] on accot goods sold.

Ordered that Mr Styleman draw out ye ac[count] salary due to the R Honble Comps servts for one h[alf] year ending the 29th past.

Generall letter to the Generall of India and to ye Presidt & Councill of Surratt signed and [sent] away ℘ Pattamrs.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
WILL : FRASER.
JO : STYLEMAN.
THO : WRIGHT.
CHA : BARWELL.

[FRI] DAY 5TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JOHN STYLEMAN
MR THOMAS WRIGHT MR CHARLES BARWELL.

Mr Pitt haveing delivered a paper dated the 29th past (as entred in the copy booke of letters) representing that haveing served the Rt Honble Company ten years, and not haveing promotion according to his standing and the

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Rt Honble Comps rul[e]s, doeth request leave to lay downe their service, and to enjoy the freedome of Trade indulged whilest he shall reside in India, and he being acquainted that his Indentures do oblige him to Serve the Rt Honble Compa for the terme of Five years and such time longer as he shall continue within the Limitts of their Charter, by which he hath not liberty to reside in India when he hath quitted their Service longer then permitted, and dureing such his permitted stay to reside in, and trade to such places as shall be allowed by the President and Councill, which Mr Pitt declareing to be the meaning of his request, and that h[e] will conforme thereunto, and particular[ly] that he hath no intention of goeing to Ben[gall] nor will go without leave. It is ordered that he is by his own act dismissed from the Rt Honble Comps service, and to reside in Fort St George as a free merchant till the President & Councill shall see cause to the contrary.

Takeing the West Coast into consideration the following particulars were discoursed.

1. It is requisite that there be a vessell allwayes on the West Coast, and hath been therefore resolved to send twice a year, in October and February, or March, so as to keepe two vessells goeing and comeing.

2. Our former letters to Yorke Fort, Bengall and to the Generall have declared our inten[tion] of sending a vessell thither this season, and [in] dependance of that advice, the Madapollam will be dispatched in December from Yorke Fort.

3. Their stocke at Yorke Fort is now but seav[en] thousand Dollars besides goods for sale wch w[ill] not be sufficient to defray the charges of that Coast if not supplyed.

4. It is Requisite to send a further supply of Factors and Souldiers.

5. Wee depended on the Briggantine Ginger[lee] for that service, but she is detained on ye Coa[st] of India, and wee have no other Vessell of the Rt Honble Comps and if wee send any must ei[ther] buy or hire.

6. The Hawke is ordered from Bengall to carry money for buying Pepper, and a supply of stores, thô the sending the ship depends on the advice wch. the Royall James and Mary brought them concerning the quantity of pepper procureable, and therefore it is doubtfull whether the Hawke will be sent thither or no from Bengall.

7. Wee have no Dollars to send, and none procureable but a very few at very deare rates, nor have they given us any advice from Yorke Fort to direct what stores to send.

8. Mr Fleetwood's letter dated the second June last, and Mr Betts not being arrived made our former resolves of sending necessary, but Mr Betts being since arrived and in quiet possession of ye Government and there being no appearance of disturbance, that necessity is removed.

Upon the whole the question is whether to hire or buy a vessell and send presently with Factors and Souldiers, without money or stores or to stay either till the arriveall of ships from Europe, or the Maddapollom's returne from Yorke Fort and it is resolved not to send a vessell now, but referr it to a fitter oppertunity.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHAS: BARWELL.

Received a letter from M[ei]nheer Pitt dated the 8th Instant adviseing of no ships arriveall from Europe. 6

Two Braminies wth three attendance brought a letter from the Naigue of Mooderah to treate about a settlement in that Countrey lyeing in Tutecarree Bay.

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7 Received a letter from Dr Brown to the President from Seerpaw, adviseing that after Nabob Cossim Cawn was well recovered he relapsed againe by irregularity which will occasion his longr stay, and that he has delivered a Horse into his possession designed as a Present to ye Presidt.

MONDAY 8TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVERNR
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JOHN STYLEMAN
MR THOMAS WRIGHT MR CHARLES BARWELL.

The warehousekeeper Reports cloth dam̃ag[ed] from Vizagapatam by Briggantine Eagle Vizt.

S.C.O. No.	2	... ...	Ps	6		
,,	2	... ...	,,	9		
,,	2	... ...	,,	2		
,,	2	... ...	,,	13		
,,	1	... ...	,,	8	Pieces 38.	
L.C.O. No.	3	... ...	,,	2		
,,	3	... ...	,,	3		
					Pieces 05.	
S. B. No.	1	... ...	,,	[03]	Pieces 03.	
						Pieces 46.

and allso reports that there is remaining in the godowne 48 pieces Vizagapatam saile cloth No. 2.

Ordered that the pieces wanting in said Dammaged Bales of Saile cloth be made good out of the said 48 pieces and that ye Long cloth and strip't Bettellas bales go home as they are, deducting the pieces wanting from the Vizagapatam Invoice.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepr pay Freight due to the Briggantine Eagle for 242 Bales at $1\frac{1}{4}$ each: and for 140 baggs of wheat at Ten ℔ Cent in Specie, deducting the amount of the dammaged cloth which is ordered to be delivered to the master in part of Freight.

Mr Styleman Mayor of the Corporation acquainting us that he had discoursed wth severall of the heads of the Gentue Casts in order to a voluntary contribution towards discharging their debts for the Town Hall, they were sent for and readily consented [to] the raiseing of Pags nine hundred, & promis [ed] to adjust the proportion of each Cast by List and present it to us.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

9 Delivered a Pass to Ship Welcome John Smith [master] Bound to Persia and a pass for her men.

Delivered a Printed Pass to Ship Loyall Captaine William Legatt Commander bound to Java.

11 Ship Wellcome John Smith mastr saild for Persia.

Ship Loyall Captaine William Legatt com̃andr sailed for Java by whome sent a generall letter to the Deputy Governour &ca Council of Yorke Fort dated the 9 Instant.

Briggantine Eagle John Cockroft master sailed for Bengall by whome sent a generall letter to the Agent &ca. Councill dat̃ 10th inst.

12 Delivered a Passe to Ship Welfare Joseph Child master bound to Persia.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 12TH.

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR.
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JOHN STYLEMAN
MR THOMS WRIGHT MR CHARLES BARWELL.

Mr Matthew Empson Late Provll Sea Customer paid into the Rt Honble Companyes cash Pags three thousand on account [of] sea customes. And Mr Matthew Mildmay late Provll Land Customer Pags three hundred and ninety four, thirty two fanams and four cash and read accots of the Land customes for the moneths [of] Augst and Sepbr : ℘ticulars Vizt.

AUGST.

Choultrey Custome	Pagds :	142 : 29 : 10	
Triblecane Custome	"	0 : 09 : 62	
Rubie Broakers	"	33 : 31 : 0	
Cloth Broakers	"	17 : 30 : 8	
Towne Conicoplies Custome	"	2 : 09 : 19	
	Pags :	197 : 01 : [19]	

SEPTEMBER.

Choultrey Custome	Pagds :	130 : 33 : 17	
Rubie Broakers	"	34 : 20 : 45	
Cloth Broakers	"	19 : 22 : 55	
Towne Conicoples Custome	"	2 : 35 : 47	
Fines	"	203 : 0 : 0	
Triblecane Reves Vizt			
Towne Conicoples Duty from ye pmo March '92 to ye ulto Sepbr '94 is 31 moneths	"	3 : 27 : 46	
Weighing Duties Do 31 months	"	2 · 3 : 13	
			5 : 30 : 59
		Pagds :	396 : 34 : 63

Also an Accot of the Peddenaigues Duty from the first of September 1693 to the 30 September 1694 and paid in Consultation the ballance being Pags one hundred fortey three, twenty nine fanams and one cash.

The Attorney Generall being sent to Mr Dolben to demand of him the money in his hands wch has not been paid according to the Order of the Court of Admiralty into the Custody of ye Court or into the Rt : Honble : Comps : cash. Hee reports Mr Dolbens answer, that for the Estate of Thoms Pillson deceased, he had writt to his freinds [in] England to acquaint them that it was [in] his hands, and to desire their orders for the disposeall thereof, for which reason hee esteems himselfe responsible, and therefore cannot pay it without Security and as [for] the moneys belonging to the owners of Ship Loyall Captaine, he is willing to pay it to Judge Fraser, which answer is not satisfactory for the Court is accountable for the money, and the late Judge is no further concerned in his private capacity, and therefore the money ought not to lye in his hands.

The Attorney Generall is ordered to move the Court of Admiralty, that Mr Dolben may be ordered to pay into the Court those and all other such like sums (if any be) according to the purport of the orders which formerly passed in the Court of Admiralty.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
WILL : FRASER.
JO : STYLEMAN.
THO : WRIGHT.
CHA : BARWELL.

Delivered a Pass to Ship Welfare Joseph Child master bound to Persia. 13TH

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MONDAY 15TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE: NATHLL: HIGGINSON ESQR: PRESIDT & GOVR.
MR WILLIAM FRASER. MR JOHN STYLEMAN
MR THOMS WRIGHT. MR CHARLES BARWELL.

Mr William Fraser warehouskeepr paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps Cash Pags one thousand on accot [of] goods sold out of the warehouse.

The President read his accot of the Rt Honble: Comps cash for the moneth of September last the ballance examined being Pags 7335 : 11 : 3: allso the cash belonging to the Talliars and Towne Conicoply and found to be on this day Vizt.

The Talliars	Pags:	1658:	25:	4
The Towne Conicoplies	Pags:	894:	8:	0

Mr Thomas Wright Paymaster read his accots for the moneth of August ℔ticulars Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pags	: 736 :	09 :
Charges Generall	"	379 :	34 :
Charges Cattle	"	19 :	02 :
Charges Diett	"	405 :	0 :
Charge Merchandize	"	53 :	18 :
Vizagapatam Factory	"	5 :	0 :
Yegmore &ca New Townes	"	0 :	27 :
Fortifications and Repairs	"	195 :	35 :
	Pagds :	1795 :	17:

Ordered that Pags one thousand be paid Mr Thoms Wright Paymr to defray chargs Garrison.

Mr John Foquet Rentall Generall paid into the Rt Honble Comps cash Pags three hundred sixty six, and five fanams on accot [of] Quit Rents.

Mr John Affleck Free merchant haveing 538 baggs of Salt Petre come from Bengall on his Ship Welcome and being treated with for buying it for the Rt Honble Comps account, he declared he had made a bargaine with the Portugueze and Armenians for the carrying the same to Goa, where he is to receive Eigh[teen] Checqueens a candy, and desired liberty [yt] he might carry it thither in persuance of his contract. But being acquainted that it was convenient to be bought for the [Rt] Honble Company, he offer'd to quit his former bargaine on condition wee would give him fourteen Pags a Candy, and excuse him from paying Custome for it, but was with mu[ch] Argument perswaded at last to part with it at thirteen Pags a candy and he to pay ye custome. It being resolved to accept thereof, the warehouskeepr doeth produce an accot of the weight thereof being Candy 159 : 8 maund, nett which at Pags 13 ℔ Candy is Pags 2072 : 7 : wch is ordered to be paid.

The reasons for takeing it are Vizt. [1st] The Rt Honble Compa have ordered a great quantity of Salt Petre to be provided in Bengall and by the last advices received from thence we undrstand they are disappointed of ten thousand maund they had contracted for, and therefore it is necessary to buy as much as we can hear to supply that defect.

2ly The price thô dearer then what was bought last year for the Berkeley Castle, is not advanc'd so much hear as the advance of the prime cost in Bengall, being above fiftey ℔Cent dearer there now then last year, occasioned by the competition of the severall Europe nations Dutch, French, Danes, & Portugueze, besides the Interlopers.

3ly The custome [of] five ℔ Cent and the Freight is saved, with the wast on Salt petre which is more considerable then the Custome.

The Captaine Moor of St Thoma having by his last letter refused to deliver Thoms Gutterridge wthout wee would give security for doeing him no harme, which

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is not thought fitt to be complyed with, and the Capt Moore haveing done nothing in so long time towards an accommodation ; we find ourselves obliged to seeke a remidy for the prevention of ye like inconveniences for the future. It is order'd that whatever Portugueze of noate that [now] are or may hereafter come into the towne be secured in the Fort untill the run away Gutterridge be delivered to us, but for the present that two or three of the Cheifest be secured, but to have the priviledge of the Towne upon giveing each five hundred Pags security before Mr John Styleman not to depart out of the Christian Towne wth out leave, and thereupon the following order was given to Lievtenant Seaton. You are hereby order'd to seize any Portugueze Inhabitant of St Thoma that are now in the Towne, or who may hereafter come and secure their persons wth in ye Inner Fort and acquaint Mr Jno Styleman therewth whose orders you are to follow as to their further detainmt or Releasement.

Mr Tredcroft Register of the Court of Admiralty producing a list taken out of the said Court Regisr of the attachments and orders for paying of money into the Court, and he declaring hee knowes not how the said money is disposed off (it is order'd that the said list be enter'd after this Consultation) and 'tis recommended to Judge Fraser to take care that the said orders of Court be complyed with for the satisfaction of all persons concerned.

Thomas Wigmore Secretary read his account of Passes for the moneth of Septembr and paid into the Rt Honble Comps cash Pags two and twenty four fanams.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
WILL : FRASER.
JO : STYLEMAN.
THO : WRIGHT.
CHA : BARWELL.

ATTACHMTS AND ORDERS RELATING TO THE HONBLE COMPANY AND OTHERS OF MONEY &CA PAID INTO THE COURT OF ADMIRALTY BY ORDERS OF YE SAID COURT. FORT ST GEORGE AND CITTY OF MADRASS.

Three thousand five hundred and nine Pags and thirteen fanams belonging to Elihu Yale Esqr in custody of Capt Howell paid into Court. MARCH 15TH 1693.

Eleve[n] hundred forty five Pags twenty five* fans of Mr Nicks in the hands of Mr Wheeler. MARCH 27TH 1693.

Three Pawns of gold belonging to Thoms Yale in custody of Capt Brook, order'd to be paid into Court. APRIL 5TH 1693.

Two hundred forty two Pags, thirteen fans of Mr Samuel Whites, paid into Court by Mr Pitt. MAY 3D 1693.

Six thousand five hundred twenty † three Pagds and thirty one fans belonging to Elihu Yale Esqr in Custody of Capt Brooke paid into Court. AUGST 21 1693.

Ordered that ship Loyall Captaine be sold at Publick outcry, and after the balance due to Capt Brows is paid, the remainder paid into the Comps cash at interest. MAY 31ST 1693.

Ordered that Nolla Vincatadry do pay into ye Comps cash one hundred and forty nine Pags one moyety to the Honble Compa the other moyety to the owners of ship Loyall Adventure if so accustomed. AUGUST 19TH 1693.

Ordered that the money belonging [to] Muttella lately burn't in her house, be paid into Court that an equll dividend may be made between Peddo & Chinomay. JUNE 24TH 1693.

The Estate of Thomas Pillson decd paid into Court to Chequeens 369— Rups 140—pags 446. JULY 19TH 1693.

Ordered that Francisco Mendes pay into Court the money he bought the Ship George for. JULY 15TH 1693.

* I.O. copy reads 'nine'.

† 'Seaventy' in the I.O. copy.

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Twelve hundred Pag^{s} of y^{e} Estate of Benj: Bloom dec^{d} paid into the Comp^{s} cash.

Edw^{d} Tredcroft Regist^{r}

By order of the Hon^{ble} Presid^{t} and Councill I have searched the Regist^{r} and find the aforementioned acco^{t} of attachm^{ts} and orders to bee all that the Court of Admiralty stands charged wth further [more.] I do declare that I do not know how the s^{d} money made payable into the said Court is disposed off.

Edw^{d} Tredcroft Reg^{r}

16TH Received a generall letter from Fort S^{t} David dated the 12th Instant, adviseing they had contracted wth the weavours for one thousand Pag^{s} of Longcloth, Salampores and Bettellas, allso the examination of M^{r} Constables acco^{t} signed by the Deputy Governour & Councill.

THURSDAY 18TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOV^{R}
M^{R} WILLIAM FRASER M^{R} JOHN STYLEMAN
M^{R} THOM^{S} WRIGHT M^{R} CHARLES BARWELL.

M^{r} William Fraser Warehouskeep^{r} paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble}: Comp^{s} cash Pag^{s} two hundred on acco^{t} [of] stores sold.

Ordered that nine hundred fifteen Pag^{s} and eighteen fanams be paid to Narraine for 362 Madapollam Timbers bought of him at y^{e} following rates. Timbers 355 at Pag^{s} 2: 18 each, Ditto large 7 at Pag^{s} 4 each.

M^{r} Matt: Empson Late Prov^{ll}: Sea Custom^{r} paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} cash Pag^{s} one thousand on acco^{t} [of] Sea Customes.

Ordered that the salary due to the R^{t} Hon^{ble}: Comp^{s} servants for halfe a year ending the 29th September last amounting to Pag^{s} 1197: 15: 1 be paid them, whereof 47: 14: 4 must be charged to Fort S^{t} David being for the salaries of Mess^{rs} Mountague, Constable and Walton, who served there tho now here and the salaries of Mess^{rs} Sowdon, Dubois, King, Foquet and Chapman amo^{t} to Pag^{s} 85: 33: 2 be carried to their Credit.

According to the list of salary now produced wherein is an entry of one hundred pound salary to M^{r} William Fraser as Judge of the Court of Admiralty, which is by him and us referred to the R^{t} Hon^{ble}: Comp^{a} there being no particular order from them concerning the salary of the Judge, thô the same has been paid to his Predecessors who have in like manner refer'd that matter to the R^{t} Hon^{ble}: Company.

The Warehouskeep^{r} is ordered to deliv^{r} to Deverahs merchant Five candy of Salt Petre receiving for the same Fifteen Pag^{s} a Candy, which is spared him at his request for the maintaining a friendly correspondance he driveing a considerable trade to y^{s} place.

The Merchants being sent for & declareing the resolve of their consideration for ℘videing goods to be, that they will provide in a years time twenty thousand Pag^{s} halfe fine halfe course, wth: their own money at Ten ℘ Cent advance on the Fort S^{t} George prizes payable on delivery of the goods, whereof they promise to bring in if they can Pag^{ds} Five thousand by February next w^{ch}: is not above one hundred bales. It was declared to them that we must be assured of at least three hundred bales in February and that they must get the perwanna w^{ch} they had obtained of Zulphaker Cawn in their own names changed as formerly directed and they were ordered to give in their finall answers on Saturday next.

Ordered that a Bond be given to M^{r} John Affleck for two thousand Pag^{s} borrowed of him at interest at ten ℘ Cent ℘ annum for six months.

M^{r} Fraser observing that in the fowle consultation booke written by y^{e} Secreta^{ry} and signed by the Councill wth: the letters of their names, there are many blots and interlineations, and therefore ask's how he may be certaine there is no alteration made in the fair Transcribeing. The Presid^{t} doth answer that

the Secretary is the proper person to write the fowle Consultacons, and knows of no other method for prevention but the carefull peruseall of those that sign'd the fair copy, which are generally signed wthin one or two consultation days after, & propounds it to the consideration of the Councill if any other method can be found out for better satisfaction. M^{r} Fraser thereupon propounding that all interlineations &c^{a} in y^{e} fowle copy be noted before signed. It is approved that M^{r} Fraser, or any other of Councill who see's cause for it, take that method for his own Satisfaction and make notes in his own handwriteing and the Secretary is ordered to produce y^{e} fowle Consultation Booke allwais at signing of the fair.

M^{r} Fraser read his Storekeep^{rs} acco^{ts} for y^{e} months of August and September last.

M^{r} Charles Ryley at his request is permitted to go a voyage to Persia upon Ship Welfare, giveing a bond of three hundred Pag^{s} and M^{r} James Sowdon for his Security that he will returne hither againe upon the said Ship.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Briggantine Mackrell sailed for Fort S^{t}. Dav^{d}.

Received a generall letter from Fort S^{t}. David Dated the 15th Instant.

Received a Letter from Hodgee Mahomod Allee the Avaldar of S^{t}. Thoma, 18
adviseing that the runaway Thom^{s} Gutterridge was delivered by the Portugueze 19
into his hands, & earnestly desires that the Portugueze men may be discharged, and that a pardon may be granted to Ditto Gutterridge, and he promises to Send him.

The Portugueze of S^{t}. Thoma having delivered Thomas Gutterridge out of their possession, it was by the consent of the Councill ordered that John De Costa and Lucas Lewis be discharged from further confinement.

Dispatch't a generall to Fort S^{t}. David of y^{s} Date incloseing Invoice and Bill of Ladeing for wh^{t} Sent them ℔ Briggantine Mackrell.

This afternoone Shipe Welfare Thom^{s} Child master sailed for Persia.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 22.

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOV^{R}
M^{R} WILLIAM FRASER M^{R} JOHN STYLEMAN
M^{R} THOM^{S} WRIGHT M^{R} CHARLES BARWELL.

The Farme of Arrac and Arrac Roote expireing the last of this moneth, notice haveing been given to all the former Farmers and to the Cast of Arrac distillers, that the Farme for the ensueing year would be renewed this day whereupon severall proposealls were made, w^{ch}: from 720 Pag^{s} the price of y^{e} last years farme advanced to 1600 bidden by the Arrac distillers, whereupon som of the last Farmers bid 2000 p^{s} w^{ch}: the Arrac Distillers being acquainted with, they did consent to give 2000 Pag^{s} w^{ch}: is accepted for the following reasons. Viz^{t}.

1. The advance from 720 Pag^{s} to 2000 is very considerable.

2^{ly} Those that are competitors wth: the arrac distillers were formerly Dubashes, and quarrel'd among themselves about the mannagement of their business, and made such a disturbance among the arrac Distillers as occasioned many of them to remove to Vipere, where they set up their Stills under the protection of the Moors government, who are endeavouring to draw more, the proper means to prevent w^{ch}: is to satisfie the whole Cast by letting the Farme to them, and It is resolved that a Cowle be granted to the heads of the Cast (by whom the whole cast is govern'd) and to such others as they shall approve to take in for their partn^{rs}.

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Mr Samuel Glover, Mr James Coventry and Mr Thomas Shepheard requesting liberty for Erecting Bagnio's or sweating Houses wch they would be at the charge to build for publick use, if we will give them a grant for a certain time, it being the first essay and will probably be a considerable charge, and Supposed to be a Publick convenience. It is resolved to give them a grant (as entred next after this Consultation) the yearly Rent being Ten Pags wch thô but small there being no competitors, yet may lay a foundation (if it take) for an increase of the Revenue when their time is expired.

Mr William Fraser warehouskeepr read his warehouse accot for the moneth of Sepbr: last.

Hojee Mahomod Allee Governr of St. Thoma haveing by his l̃res on the 17th Instant desired for his Sake to forgive the runaway's faults, & not to take away his life, and to let him live in his former Servis, It is resolved that a letter be sent to Hojee Mahomod Allee, and a Pardon to the runaway Thomas Gutterridge.

Ordered that the affidavits of Peddevin[catee]Puttee &ca relating to Anco, be delivered [to] the Attorney Generall, who is ordered to exh[ibit] a charge against him in the Court of Admiralty for his scandalous and seditious speeches and impudent behaviour, tending to [the] breach of the publick peace and the subversion of the Government.

A small piece of ground lyeing in a Triangle forty foot in length and three foot in the base, adjoining to the House lately bought by Samll Glover &ca of Capt Harrison, is at their request sold them for four Pags it being taken out of ye Street and makes it more regular.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

To all people whom this may concerne wee the President and Councill of Fort St George for the Rt Honble English East India Compa send greeting.

Know yee that upon the earnest intreaty & request of Samuel Glover, James Coventry & Thos: Shepheard Inhabitants of this Citty, wee the President and Councill for severall considerations us hereunto moveing on behalfe of the Rt Honble English East India Company do for us and our successors grant unto the aforenamed Samuel Glover, James Coventry and Thomas Shepheard, their Heirs, Executors, administrators and assignes, the sole liberty and Priviledge of erecting and keeping for publick use Hummums, Bagnios, or Sweating Houses, for the Space and full terme of Five years to commence from the twenty fifth day of March next ensueing the Date hereof, Prohibiting all persons from erecting, or causing to be erected, keeping or causing to be kept, any manner of Hummums, Bagnios, or Sweating Houses, for publick use dureing the said five years, Provided that they the said Samuel Glover, James Coventry and Thomas Shepheard, their Heirs, Executrs, administratrs or assignes shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid, for ye use of the Rt Honble Company the sum̃e of Ten Pags new of Madrass, as a yearly rent, wch said payment is to commence from the twenty fifth of March next, and So to continue yearly untill the expiration of the aforesaid five years. Given under our hands and the Rt Honble Compas seale this two and twentieth day of October 1694.

NATHLL: HIGGINSON.
WILLIAM FRASER.
JOHN STYLEMAN.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
CHARLES BARWELL.

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Bundala Shay formerly Go[vernʳ of Corraca] and parts adjacent, and ver-[y serviceable] to the Rᵗ Honᵇˡᵉ Company in hindering yᵉ Interlopʳˢ there, being goeing to the Camp, in his way brought his family hither for their security apprehending danger from the Morattas, Vissiting yᵉ Presidᵗ [who] promised to do all good offices with the Nabob, particularly wᵗʰ respect to Meera yᵉ Junkanneer The President welcomed him with five guñs.

The following Pardon was this day sent to Tho : Gutterridge. 23

To Thomas Gutterridge.

Although you have been guilty of many great faults and Crimes which deserve yᵉ severest punishment, yet if you imediately upon receipt hereof voluntarily returne to your duty, w[ee] do promise not to punish you for faults pas[t] and if you humble yourselfe and acknow[ledge] your faults, and promise never to be guilty[again to] restore you to your service in the Garrison. Dated in Fort Sᵗ George this twenty second day of October 1694.

NATHˡˡ HIGGINSON.
WILLIAM FRASER.
JOHN STYLEMAN.
THOMˢ : WRIGHT.
CHARLES BARWELL.

Cassa Singuara one of the principall officers of the Camp, sent one of his servants wᵗʰ a letter to the President, desireing his assistance in buying of Elleph-ants &cᵃ. 24

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 25TH

Present

THE HONᴮᴸᴱ : NATHᴸᴸ : HIGGINSON ESQᴿ PRESIDᵀ & GOVᴿ :
Mᴿ WILLIAM FRASER — Mᴿ JOHN STYLEMAN
Mᴿ THOMAS WRIGHT — Mᴿ CHARLES BARWELL.

The Peons sent severall moneths agoe with Emaun Cooley to the Kings Camp, with letters and presents to Assid Cawn, returned last night without either letter from Assid Cawn or Emaun Cooley, they alledge that they often pressed Emaun Cooley for a letter, but he refused it, and used the[m] unkindly, so were forced to come away without [it]. The same Peons brought a letter to Cojee Gregory from his Son in Law in the Kings Camp, adviseing that he was ordered to acquaint him that Emaun Cooley could not proceed in the business of the Phirmaund because he wanted money to defray the first necessary Court charges. The said Peons reporting that they observed that Issa Cooley went often to the Kings court, and by the report they heard of him, he has a [name] at court of a man able to do any business there. Cojee Gregorie doth upon this occasion take [no ?] notice of Issa Cooleys writeing to him, that if the President imployed him in the business, and give security for the repayment of the che[que] he would in a short time effect it. But w[ee] cannot enter upon new methods, till it d[oth] appear that the former will faile, or till [wee] receive an answer from the Generall to ou[r letter] Sent March last, wherein we gave him a particular account of our contract with Emaun Cooley. His Excellency have wrote us in his letter of the 12ᵗʰ of June 1694 that he will endeavour [to gett] a Phirmaund for Madrass and Bengall. [In] the meanetime it is ordered that a letter be [wrote] to Zulphaker Cawn and Emaun Cooley desireing his letter to Assid Cawn wᵗʰ respect to yᵉ Phirm[aund] which if he refuses 'tis a signe he doth not [in]tend to performe his former promise of [pro]cureing it, if he does there can be no inconv[enience] in sending them.

Meera the Junkannʳ notwithstanding [his] promises continueing to be troublesome, It [is] ordered that neither he nor any belonging [to] him be permitted to

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come into the Towne [nor] Meer Mahomod, who lately complained [to the] Nabob of goods stolen from him when last [here] and is now returned to S^t Thoma.

NAT: HIGGINSSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHAR: BARWELL.

Meera Junkanneer of Ypere haveing been lately very abusive and exacting five and seven ℔ Cent upon goods Imported and exported, and upon refuseing payment stop'd the same, among which is fifteen bundles of cloth brought in by the merchants for y^e Company, and haveing at the instance of severall Chittees, and other discontented Inhabitants of this place Farm'd the Beetle Leaves to three undertakers for 3000 Rupees a year, and therefore caused all Beetle leaves brought out of the Countrey, to be brought to his Junkan place, that from thence they may be sold to the Inhabitants of y^s place; So that our beetle farmers cannot bring any into towne, and unless a remidy be aplyed will not be able to go on w^th their Farme. The President thereupon on the 17th Instant sent for Meera, who pretended Zulphaker Cawn's orders for what he hath done, but up[on] the produceing of Assid Cawn, and Zulphak[er] Cawns perwannas for free trade according to Sallabad, he seemed inclined to a compliance, and an offer being made him that if he would take off the stop on beetle, and suffer goods to pass as formerly, and not p[ut] up the Flagg he should have 700 Rup^s (to [be] paid by the beetle Farmers) which he accepted and promised to comply dureing [his time] and seaven days was given him to ma[ke a] triall of what he would do towards [it but] in the meantime, Meera continueing [y^e stop] on beetle leaves, strict orders were gi[ven] that no Inhabitants buy any beetle leaves [from Meera] and that our Farmers seize all Beet[le] brought into Towne by any but them[selves] and this day Meera not comeing accor[ding to his] agreement, order was given that neither [he nor any] belonging to him, be admitted into To[wne nor any] Provision be carried out to them.

MONDAY 29TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT & GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOMAS WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

The following persons Viz^t M^r [Mead, M^r. Capell,] M^r DuBois, M^r Bridger, M^r Gyffords, [M^r. Bowyear] and M^r Lovell paid into the R^t Hon^ble [Comp^s] cash five Pag^s each for leave to [practice] as attorneys in the Courts of Jud[icature] of this place, according to the Order [received] from the R^t Hon^ble Company in their [Generall] letter of the 25th January 168$\frac{7}{8}$. It is [ordered] that the Secretary do give each of [them an] order in writeing for that purpo[se coppy] whereof followes next after y^s [consul]tation.

Being informed that the late President Yale hath in Court desired, that the matter depending there, between the R^t Hon^ble Company & him[self] relating to the accompt of Presents sent [to] Prince Cawn Bux &c^a might not be determ[ined] in the Court, but by the President and Councill. It is resolved that if he will give bond fo[r] standing to our award, we will hear, and impartially determine it, otherwise that the Attorney Generall proceed in the Court and the Secretary is ordered to give the Attorney Generall copy hereof, who is orde[red] to attend the late President Yale therewith and receive his answer in writeing.

Letter to Zulphaker Cawn read, as well as to the Phirmaund, as to Meera Mahomod's pretences of being robbed in Madrass, and Meera Junkanneer his abusive carriage contrary to the Viziers and Nabobs Perwanna's, and that our

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letter may be the more effectuall, It is ordered y[t] Narrain Cheif Dubash go w[th] it and carry a p[r]sent to him to the amount of Pag[s] four or five hundred in the most suitable things procureable, to [which] to be added some small presents to his officers w[th] Instructions for the getting the Nabobs Perwanna for our enjoyment of Ypere, w[ch] lyes in the middle between Yegmore & Persiwa[k] and where the Junkann[r] is so trouble[some it being] the place where the Junkan has b[een taken by] Duan's officers in the King of Golcon[daes time].

M[r] Thomas Wright Paymaster[read his acco[ts]] for the moneth of September last.

Ordered that M[r] Thomas Wright [Paymaster] do advance one hundred Pag[s] to the [Mucquan] men, to repaire their Mussula's as u[sueall].

Ordered that Fortey Fanams a m[onth] allowed George Goughton for nea-[re ten years] last past, be taken off, he being of a[ge and] refuseing to serve the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[a].

Doctor Blackwall desireing lib[erty for the] Doors to be open from morning till [night] the Martiall declareing he do's no[t thinke] it safe and haveing appeared form[erly that] he had tampered w[th] some of the ce[ntinells] in order to his escape. It is thought [fitt to be] left to the discretion of the Mart[iall he] being answerable for his forth[coming].

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHAR: BARWELL.

Wee the President and Councill of Fort S[t] George do allow off his [. . .] practiceing as an atto[r]ney in the Courts of Judicature of Fort S[t]. George, so long as he shall conform himselfe unto the Orders of the R[t] Hon[ble] Company and the said Courts Dated the . . . Day of . . . Ann Dom 1694.

ATT A CONSULTATION

NOVEMBER THURSDAY 1ST

Present

THE HON[BLE] NATH[LL] HIGGINSON ESQ[R] PRESID[T] & GOV[R]
M[R] WILLIAM FRASER M[R] JOHN STYLEMAN
M[R] THOM[S] WRIGHT M[R] CHARLES BARWELL.

M[r] Hamon Gibbon delivered in his answ[r] to our Order of Consultation of the 20[th] Sep[br] last, relateing to the Indapoora accompt.

M[r] William Fraser warehouse keeper paid into the R[t] Hon[ble] Companyes cash Pag[s] Seaven Hundred on accompt of goods sold.

M[r] Edward Tredcroft Register of y[e] Court of Admiralty paid into the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] Cash Pag[s] Seaven Hundred Seaventy three by Order of the Court of Admiralty, for acco[t] of the owners in England of Ship Loyall Captain for w[ch] Bills are ordered to be drawn upon the R[t] Hon[ble] Company to be sent by y[e] first ship that goes for England unless in the [meantime there shall appeare reason to the contrary].

Ordered that John Leonada an European Spaniard be entred in the GunRoom Crew.

The Arrac Farmers being sent for had their Cowle delivered them, and in conformity there unto, paid into y[e] R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] cash Pag[s] 166 : [24 :] being for one moneth.

The Tobacco Farmers paid into the R[t] Hon[ble] Comp[s] cash Pag[s] 233 : 12 fanams.

Ordered that Pag[s] 233 : 12 fanams be paid to M[r] Thom[s] Wright Paymaster for defraying charges garrison.

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M^{r} Matthew Empson late Prov^{ll} Sea Customer read his acco^{ts} of Sea Custome for the monethes [of] May, June, July and August particulars Viz^{t}.

MAY.

To Custome of goods Imported and exported this month	Pag^{s}:	2589	5	4
Ditto of graine	,,	368	34	3
Anchorage	,,	45	0	0
Tonnage	,,	11	4	0
	Pag^{s}:	3014	8	1

JUNE.

To Custome of goods Imported & exported this moneth	Pag^{s}:	8276	15	3
Ditto of graine	,,	550	10	3
Anchorage	,,	115	0	0
Tonnage	,,	251	14	0
	Pag^{s};	9193	4	0

JULY.

To Custome of goods Imported & exported this moneth	Pag^{s}:	72	2	5
Ditto of graine	,,	194	3	1
Anchorage	,,	12	0	0
	Pag^{s}:	278	6	0

AUGUST.

		P.	fa.	ca.
To Custome of goods and Imported exported this month		598	31	5
Ditto of graine		309	29	0
Anchorage		43	0	0
Tonnage		47	6	0
	Pag^{s}:	998	30	5

Ordered that Pag^{s} 22 : 1 fanam be paid to M^{r} John Foquet Rentall Generall out of the Peddenagues money, being so much due to the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company on acco^{t} Quitt rents for the Year 1693.

Upon further consideration of sending a person with a present to the Nabob, It is resolved that Narraine the Cheif Dubash be ordered [to] make a triall if he can accommodate matters with Meera the Junkanneer without charge^{g} [to] the Comp^{a} in such manner as we may not have occasion to complaine against him to y^{e} Nabob. However in the meantime the warehouskeep^{r} is ordered to provide things requisite for y^{e} p^{r} sent.

Ordered that Pag^{s} 23 be paid M^{r} Jame[s] Sowdon being for Dollers 39$\frac{1}{8}$ part of Dollers 882 : 2 so[o]c^{s} paid by him into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} cash at Yorke Fort.

Padre Salvadore De Cunha de Mello a Portugueze haveing complained against Padre Lewis De Olivera (both resident in this place & officiating under the French Padre) before the Bishops Vicar at S^{t}. Thoma, upon which the said Bishops Vicar hath issued his order for Padre Lewis de Olivera's appearance before him within the space of three hours under paine of suspention, which order now appearing to us, It is ordered that the Secretary do send the following order to the French Padre, Sign'd by himselfe.

To the Rev^{d} Padre Michael Angelus.

You are ordered by the President and Councill not to permit Padre Salvedore de Cunha de Mello to officiate as a Preist in the Portugueze Church of S^{t} Andrews in this citty of Madrass till further order.

In persuance of an order of Consultation of the 29th past, the Attorney Generall attended upon the late President Yale, and reports his answer that he is willing to give Bond to stand to our award. It is thereupon resolved that we do

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heare the said matter on Thursday the eight Instant, of which the Secretary is ordered to give him notice.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
WILL : FRASER.
JO : STYLEMAN.
THO : WRIGHT.
CHA : BARWELL.

Received a Generall [lett^r] from M^r Hatsell dated the 30th past inclosed in which came a Generall Letter [from] Cap^t Hatton Commander of the London Friggett (bound for this place) dated 27 past adviseing y^t he was forced to put into Negapatam by reason of contrary winds and calmes, and a strong currant which drove them from 12^d north Lattitude to that place and that he left Engl^d the 5th March 1693 in Company of Seaven ships more bound for severall parts of India Viz^t. The Mary Cap^t Thomas Oyles commander, the Nassaw Cap^t John Loyd * for Persia, the Thomas Cap^t Randolp[h] Pye for Surratt, the Dorothy Cap^t Henry Trenwith for China, the Amity Cap^t James Mint[en†] for S^{ta} Hellena and Bencoolen, the Martha, Cap^t Thomas Raynes and [the] Success Cap^t James Jennifer for Bengall and that he parted wth the two last the 3rd September. The Generall from M^r Hatsell advises their haveing contracted wth their merchants for 10000 Pag^s on the same Tearms as wth their weavours if aproved.

Dispatch'd a generall Letter of this date to the Deputy Governour &c^a of 2
Fort S^t David inclosed in which sent a generall Letter to Cap^t Matthias Hatton of the same date, Ordering him to deliver the R^t Hon^{ble} Comp^s Pacquet.

The President and Councill met this morning and sent for the joint stocke merchants wth whome they bargained fo[r] Ten thousand Pag^s of callicoes, the [conclusion of w^{ch} is referred] till monday next.

[ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 5TH.

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
M^R W^M FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THO^S WRIGHT M^R CHAR : BARWELL.

The President haveing delivered a paper on Monday last to the peruseall and consideration of the Councill relateing to the Fort St. George Merchants, It is resolved that y^e same be entered that y^e grounds of our proceedings may appeare vizt. Timapa and Allingall, who act as cheife Merchants joyntly, have not well accorded, Timapa beareing y^e name of y^e cheife, and Allingall the more experienced Merchant withdrawing himself for many Months from attending the buissiness of y^e Joynt Stocke under pretence of sickness, whose example has an influence on such of y^e Merchants as are accounted of his party, so y^t the mannagement lay most upon those of Timapas party. 2^{ly} Besides this division in 2 parties y^e greater part of y^e principall Merchants have been in Controversies and quarrells, and Law suits among themselves, concerning acco^{ts} of trade and some y^e division of Estates left by theire Ancestors.

3^{ly}. Therefore but few of y^e Merch^{ts} have employed themselves in the buissiness of y^e Joynt Stocke, as they ought by y^e ord^{rs}, and their acco^{ts} neglected, so that they have not yet adjusted them, by w^{ch} most of y^e principall Merch^{ts} were indebted to y^e Stocke in 1692 w^{ch} they have hitherto avoided to pay, and is a failure in theire cheife Mannagement and Injury, and discredit to y^e Stocke, and discouragement to others from being concerned. 4^{ly} For the foregoeing reasons y^e Merch^{ts} goe on verry slow, and are not able to carry on any considerable buissiness, but suffer themselves to be baulkt and outdone by other private Merch^{ts}

* 'Lloyde' in the I.O. copy. † 'Minta' in the I.O. copy.

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(probably w^th^ the connivance and concurrence of som of y^e^ Joint Stocke Merch^ts^) whereof was a notable instance in January & February last, when y^e^ Spanish shipps from Manilha came hither w^th^ considerable stocke to buy cloth, and wee had noe ready money att y^t^ time, for carryeing on our Investment, y^e^ President did endeavour to make a Contract between y^e^ Spaniards and our Merchants, that they might have provided his Cargo of about 20000 Dollers, as well for theire encorragemant as that they might keepe theire Countrey Weavours in constant employ, and the loomes to y^e^ Companyes Muster, the first offer was made to them, but they suffered 2 Private Merch^ts^ Weavours Namashaway and Bassaportee, to run away with theire bargaine, and tooke from them y^e^ greatest part of y^e^ Countrey Weavours, so that when our Merchants had occasion they could not gett the Weavours to serve them till y^t^ buissiness was done, and they found y^e^ looms changed to y^e^ Manilha sort of cloth.

5^ly^. The Merchants and Inhabitants have generally a respect for y^e^ families of Verona & Vincatadry, for w^ch^ reason the men of those families are most capable then others towards y^e^ maintenance of good Government among the Inhabitants, and on the other hand they are the the most capable of mischeife if so inclined, or may prove uncapable for both, for w^ch^ reasons y^e^ right of succession in any family is not to be admitted, thô pleaded by Timapa, not only for himself, who is Peddy Vincatadryes son, but for Mooda Verona the adopted son of Cassa Verona, and Druggapa the son of Chiny Vincatadry, who according to theire rules are to succeed one another in y^e^ cheife Merchantship, and theire Children after them, by turnes, and therefore these men and theire Childeren are to possess y^e^ first ranke next to y^e^ cheife Merch^t^ whither absent or present, capable or uncapable an instance whereof was lately given in Druggapa, who in July 1693 without any notice given to the President withdrew himself and family out of this Towne, and lives in the Countrey, whereupon the President being willing to fill his station w^th^ one more capable propounded to y^e^ Merch^ts^ that his share in y^e^ Stocke might be sould to pay his debts to y^e^ stocke, and another chosen in his place, but Timapa argued it could not consist w^th^ y^e^ honor of y^e^ family and that y^e^ rest of y^e^ Merch^ts^ were content that his share should continue till his returne or for his Childeren.

6^ly^. The Cheife Merch^ts^ and Committees, or y^e^ right hand cast do insist on y^e^ hon^r^ of y^e^ Cast so as to exclude y^e^ Chittees or left hand Cast from a possibility of being Cheife Merch^t^, thô they are the men that doe most of the buissiness, this appeared to much in a late instance of the 13^th^ and 16^th^ of App^l^ last, when had appointed to Tashereif y^e^ Merchants, and agreed to give Japa Chittee a Tashereif in y^e^ roome of Mooda Verona deceased, the cheife Merch^t^ and Committees argued against it because he was of the Chittee Cast, and rather then admitt it choose to goe without theire Tashereifs, thô Japa Chittee is one of the ablest men among them, the particular circumstances are not entered in those Consultations, being then referred to further consideration, but was deverted by other occurrances.

7^ly^ The chiefe Dubash Narraine is in y^e^ nature of a broaker for y^e^ R^t^ Hon^ble^ Campany to find out the ablest Merchants, and mannage w^th^ them in behal^f^ e of y^e^ Company, but so far as I have observed he does in y^e^ maine espouse the interest of y^e^ Merch^ts^ att least as much as y^t^ of the Company, thô dos att some times in some small matters make a publicke shew of sticking hard for y^e^ Comp^s^ Interest, and in sev^ll^ disputes y^t^ have happened concerning y^e^ family of y^e^ Cheife Merch^ts^ and the Hon^r^ of y^e^ cast, he has taken theire parts particularly in y^e^ Instance of Druggapa, and Mooda Verona, this may probably arise from his relation to the family, being the Cheife Merchants father in law, and willing to uphold him, who wants such a supporter, being of small Estate & young abilities.

8^ly^ When Mahomod Arreif was here (who passed under y^e^ name of y^e^ Nabobs son) Timapa Courted him, and treated him highly, and when he returned to y^e^ Camp a Braminy was sent w^th^ him to procure the Nabobs Perwanna to Timapa and

Allingall for theire free trade, according to Sallabad, throughout y[e] Cornatter and Chingee Countries, and neither Timapa nor y[e] Dubash acquainted me therewith, but haveing a private Information that such a Perwanna was obtained, I discoursd the Dubash about it, who utterly denied to know anything of it, some time after w[ch] Timapa acquainted me w[th] the Perwanna, I ordered it to be translated upon w[ch] by Consultation y[e] 18[th] & 19[th] January last, they were ordered to gett it changed but it is not yet done, and though Narraine Dubash doth affirme he knew nothing of it, till the Perwanna was obtained (being sicke att that time of sending the Braminy to y[t] Camp) yet it is incredible to me that Timapa should act a thing of y[t] nature without his advice, or att least that he should not heare of it in 2 or 3 Months and the Mulla is inexcuseable for writteing theire lett[rs] to y[e] Camp and y[e] Braminy that went to y[e] Camp without leave, but those of y[e] Merchants who mannaged this buissiness and theire advisers are in my oppinion guilty of great presumption, the tenor of y[e] Perwanna runing to Timapa and Allingall in theire names without any mention of y[e] R[t] Hon[ble] Company soe that thereby they have obtained of y[e] Nabob a Perwanna for tradeing independent of the Company, and may be employed as well for the service of Interlopers, as the Company, and seems to be calculated for y[e] recovery of y[e] rights Cheife Merchant decending from Verona and the reacting of the same part, w[ch] Pedde Vincatadry did after the death of Verona, when y[e] then Agent and Councill first distributed y[e] Joint Stocke among y[e] Company of Merchants w[ch] was before confined w[th] in y[e] family, he made his application to y[e] King of Golconda's Ministers, and obtained theire Perwanna for restoring him to y[e] rights of Verona, upon w[ch] acco[t] the family made a rebellion, and caused the greatest part of y[e] principall Inhabitants to forsake the place.

9[ly]. The foregoeing being considered I have been of oppinion that y[e] Perwanna ought to be allowed (and y[e] Merch[ts] have long since promised so to do) but have not yet don it, they now repeate theire promise to gett it effected (by meanes of Bondetashai) and till it is effected noe contract to be made with upon moneyes delivered beforehand, in the meantime that cloth may be provided for y[e] Armenian Merchant, permitt to goe on providing 10000 Pago[ds] of cloth with theire owne Stocke and Credit, att tenn per cent advance on y[e] Fort St. George Prices, and that they may be the better able to perform that and larger Investments, when our new expected stocke comes, and theire Perwanna is altered that under the cheife Merchants Timapa and Allingall be appointed 2 others as cheife of the right and left Casts, Bavapa and Japa Chittee, and that 2 of the most negligent be turned out, and Namashawa and Bassporte who are also of y[e] left hand cast be taken in among the Chief Merchants, who are able to provide as much Cloth as all y[e] rest of y[e] Merchants.

Which paper haveing been perused and on friday last our Merchants sent for, they readley consented to y[e] proposeall made, in order to theire better regulation, and its thereupon ordered.

1. That Copetee Cash and Servana by reason of theire neglect in attendance on y[e] Joint Stocke buissiness (not meeting y[e] Merchants when summoned but a verry few times for y[e] year last past) be displaced from being of y[e] Cheife Merchants, and Druggapa haveing privately withdrawn into y[e] Countrey a year since, without y[e] notice of y[e] President and Mooda Verona dead lately, theire stations to be supplyed by such persons as are most capable of serving y[e] Joint Stocke, reserving a liberty for y[e] introduceing theire Childeren into y[e] stations of theire fathers, when they come to yeares of Discretion and if capable to be preferred before others.

2[ly]. That next to Timapa and Allingall the heads of y[e] cheife Merchants, Bassa Bawapa and Japa Chittee take place as heads of y[e] right and left hand, that the left hand who doe att least manage half the buissines may not be discouraged.

3[ly]. That Nomeshaway, Porpactum, Bossuapa, Merchants of y[e] Weavours Cast, be taken into the Joint Stocke, and they and Rama Kisna into y[e] ranke of chiefe Merchants in y[e] roome of those removed or dead.

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4ly. That ye Merchants deliver 10000 Pagods in the following goods embaled, before the end of February next, for which to be paid when embaled, half fine, half course att 10 per cent advance on ye Fort St. George prizes vizt.

	Pagds
Long Cloth Ordry	2000
Salampores Ordry	2000
Neck clothes Ordry	1000
Bettelas 40 and 50 Coveds	1000
Morees fine	1500
Ginghams 16 Coveds	1250
Ginghams 40 Coveds	1250
Pagods	10000

The Merchants being now sent for a Contract was agreed, and mutually signed (as following after this Consultation) and neither they nor theire Servants not haveing received Tashereifs since 1692 thô were twice promised, they were Tashereift as follows vizt.

Timapa	Scarlett	Yards	3
Allingall	Do.	„	3
Passaw Baneap	Do.	„	2½
Japa Chittee	Do.	„	2½
Cow Paupia	Aurora	„	2½
Peddambee Chittee	Do.	„	2½
Rama Kisna	Do.	„	2½
Tanda Chittee	Do.	„	2½
Vincattee Rama	Do.	„	2½
Cornapa	Do.	„	2½
Ranga Chittee	Do.	„	2½
Porpaudum	Do.	„	2½
Nomeshauwai	Do.	„	2½
Bengar Verona	Scarlett	„	2½
Narraine Dubash	Do.	„	2½
Ramapa Braminy			
Mulla Brod cloth Ordry		„	2½
Choultrey Dubash	Do.	„	2½
Chintama	Do.	„	2
Cheife Peon	Do.	„	2
Chubdar	Do.	„	2
Chubdars Sou Perpetuans	Ordry	„	2½
Two cheife Cattemaran men	Do.		
Two cheife Mucquall men	Do.		

Ordered that att theire goeing out of ye Citty gate 11 Gunns be fired.

And it is thought expedient upon ye receiveing of ye good news of ye shipps arriveall that a Publicke Invitation of all ye Principall Inhabitants be this day made in ye Evening.

Ordered that Pagods 500 be paid Mr Wright Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Order'd that Pagods 200 be advanced to Ragina &ca washermen for cureing ye Rt Honble Comps Cloth.

Ordered that ye Paymaster, Sea Customr and Land Customer be Justices of ye Choultrey unless otherwayes ordered, and that Mr Matt: Mildmay be continued one of ye Justices, and ye Land Customer and Mr Mildmay doe meet att ye Choultery thrice a weeke, the Paymaster and Sea Customer to meet as theire buissiness will permitt, but alwayes once a weeke.

The present condition of ye Merchants in all its circumstances is rightly stated but I differ in oppinion wth the Honble Presidt in ye matter relateing to Narraine ye Dubash till I see cause to ye contrary.

NATHLL. HIGGINSON.
WM: FRAZER.
JON: STYLEMAN.
THOS: WRIGHT.
CHAR: BARWELL.

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Contract made between yᵉ Presidᵗ & Councill of Fort St. George in behalf of yᵉ Rᵗ Honᵇˡᵉ Compᵃ and Timapa and Allingall &cᵃ joint stocke Merchants this 5ᵗʰ Day of Nov : 1694, vizt :

The said Timapa, Allingall &cᵃ Merchants do agree and contract that they will provide for yᵉ Honᵇˡᵉ Company yᵉ following to yᵉ amount of tenn thousand Pagodoes vizt.

	Pagᵈˢ.
Long cloth Ordʳʸ to yᵉ amount	2000
Salampores Ordʳʸ	2000
Neck clothes Ordʳʸ	1000
Beetellaes 40 & 50 coveds	1000
Morees fine	1500
Ginghams 16 coveds	1250
Ginghams 40 coveds	1250
Pagᵈˢ. ...	10000

The said goods to be sorted by yᵉ Fort St. Georges Musters as useall and to be brought in and all embaled before yᵉ end of February next.

And the President and Councill doe agree and contract to pay unto yᵉ said Merchants att yᵉ end of every Month for so much cloth as shall be embaled in yᵉ Month half ordinary and half fine, att yᵉ Prices of yᵉ, last contract in August 1693 and if the Merchants shall comply wᵗʰ yᵉ contract in yᵉ limited time to pay them ten per cent over and above said prices.]

[బేరి తింమ్మనవ్రాలు ○
சிவகடாக்ஷம் ஆலங்காத்த. ○
తాతప్ప వ్రాలు. ○
அய்யப்பன். ○
పాపయ వ్రాలు. ○
பெரியதம்பி. ○
సూరా ముత్యాలు ○
காரணப்பன். ○

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDINARY. WEDNESDAY 7TH

Present

THE HONᴮᴸᴱ NATHᴸᴸ : HIGGINSON ESQᴿ PRESIDᵀ & GOVᴿ
Mᴿ WILLIAM FRASER Mᴿ JOHN STYLEMAN
Mᴿ THOMAS WRIGHT Mᴿ CHARLES BARWELL.

Generall letter to the Deputy Governour &cᵃ Councill of Fort Sᵗ David dated the 6ᵗʰ Instant in answer to theirs of the 15ᵗʰ October and 1ˢᵗ Inst. read and approved, relateing to the contract made with their Merchants for two thousand Pagodˢ deliverable in January [& February], and Eight thousand in May, confirming it only for soe much as shall be delivered in January and February next, and recommending to them the carrying on off a treaty wᵗʰ their merchants for Fiftey thousand Pagˢ deliverable in Sepᵇʳ 1695 but not to conclude till cotton is cheap[er] and we have money. Allso Ordering them to receive from ship London Friggatt, as many Bales of cloth and slabs of Lead as they shall have occasion for, if shee calls there and lyes wind-bound. Allso an order to Capᵗ Matthias Hatton for delivery of the same of Ditto date.

It haveing been referred by Consultation of the first Instant, to Narraine, to accommodate matters wᵗʰ Meera Junkannʳ. Hee acquaints us that the Junkannʳ

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hath offer'd a writeing for takeing the stop off on Beetle, and that all provisions and goods shall pass in, and out as accustomary and hath given his Oath that dureing his time he will not act otherwise, nor set up a Flagg: which writeing is given to Timapa the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Companyes Merchant, and he is to receive seaven hundred Rupees to be paid by the beetle Farmers.

It is ordered that Narrain do proceed, and conclude the said treaty.

Ordered that Albin de Sosa Portugueze be discharged from this garrison and that Haunce Tober Dutchman, and Gasper Figare * and Bantan * de Costa Portuguezes, be entertained as Souldiers, to serve the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} two years wherever there shall be occasion for their Service.

The Braminey sent from the Naigue of Moodera, haveing been frequently discours'd do's offer a settlement in any part of the Modera Countrey, upon such terms as we shall require, and gives assurance of large quantities of Pepper and cloth to be ꝑcured, but can't give us an acco^{t} of the prices or sorts, and being asked what the Naigue do's expect to be performed on our part, tells a story of a parcell of Dutchmen being settled [att] Attingapatam on the [Mallabar Coast the queen] of which place formerly [paid tribute to the] Naigue of Moodera, but [of late refuseing] the Naigue sent an army ag[ainst her upon] which she paid two Lack of Chu[ckromes but] the Naigue not being satisfied, ab[out 16] moneths past sent another army [with this] Braminey, but the Dutch conveyed y^{e} [Queen] to an Island with their ships, wth nine [croes] of Chuckromes, and that the Naigue doth desire us to com[e] and settle in his country, that we might send our ships to assist him in driveing away the Dutch, and takeing y^{e} Queen for which promises us a Croe of Chuckromes.

The map of Brinjoan being produced to the Braminey, he readily described the place y^{t} he meant, alledging that he was there himselfe, and there was thirty Dutch & Portugueze souldiers, and that they had a small Fortification and a Flagg with a cross in it, and did see a great Dutch ship or two there.

The meaning of which impertinent story is supposed to be the Island [of] Brinjoan, the Ship the Moodena, and the Dutchmen M^{r} Ackworth and the few Soldiers that were with him att Brinjoan, the Queen is the Queen of Attinga [patam] so that the result of the Embassy is that they desire us to turne the English from y^{e} setlem^{t} at Brinjoan, and it doth probably proceed from the instigation of the Dutch, the Braminey declareing that the Dutch Cheif of Tutecorry sent one wth a Present to the Naigue of Moodra about three months agoe, and requested the continuance of their settlem^{t} of Attingapatam, but the Naigue would not grant it, and requires our assistance against them.

Not knowing what the meaning, or consequence of these things may be to y^{e} Settlem^{t} of Brinjoan, It is resolved that letters be dispeeded to M^{r} Braborne &c^{a} that they may have advice hereof, and give us their opinion, and in the meantime that the Braminey be dismissed to the Naigue &c^{a} wth Letters that our ships are suddainly expected, and when they come will send a person to treat wth him, till when not to make any grants to y^{e} Dutch.

Ordered that a Present to the Value of twenty Pag^{s} be sent to the Naigue, and given the Braminey.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

* I.O. copy reads 'Frigares' and 'Bantam' respectively.

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ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 8TH.

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JOHN STYLEMAN
MR THOMAS WRIGHT MR CHARLES BARWELL.

The late President Yale Signed a Bond (as entred after this consultation) for Standing to our award, relateing to the Accot of Presents. The examination of which was begun, and enter'd in papers apart till finished.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
WILL : FRASER.
JO : STYLEMAN.
THO : WRIGHT.
CHA : BARWELL.

Know all men by these presents That I Elihu Yale Esqr of Fort St George Merchant, am held & firmly bound unto the Rt Honble English East India Compa in the full and just sum̃e of Eight thousand Pags new of Madrass, to be paid unto the said Rt Honble Company or their successors, to which paymt to be well and truely made, I bind myselfe my heirs Executors and Administrators, firmly by these presents. In wittness whereof I have set my hand and Seale this Eighth day of November anno 1694.

The Condition of this obligation is Such yt whereas an action was entred in the Court of Admiralty by Matthew Mead Attorney in behalfe of the Rt Honble English East India Company for Pags Eight thousand Five hundred & Eighty and four fanams against the abovenamed Elihu Yale Esqr relateing to certaine presents sent to Prince Cawn Bux &ca anno 169½ whereof the said Elihu Yale hath since rendred an accompt and whereas the said Elihu Yale Esqr doth consent agree and is willing that the aforesaid accompt be examined & determined by the Honble Nathaniel Higginson President &ca Councill, Now So 'tis that if the abovebound Elihu Yale Esqr shall abide, stand by, & satisfie the Judgemt and award of the aforesaid Presidt and Councill, relateing to the aforesaid accot that then this obligation to be void and of none effect, or elce to stand in full force & Virtue

Signed Sealed & delivd in the presence of us ELIHU YALE. L.S.

THOMS WIGMORE.
MATT : MEAD.

Dispatched a Generall Letter to Fort St David dat. the 6th Instant inclosed in which sent an order to Capt Hatton for the delivery of so much Broad Cloth and Lead as the Deputy Govr &ca of Fort St David should require, in case he should touch there and lye wind bound.

It haveing been resolved to send to Zulphaker Cawn for his letters to Assid Cawn about ye Phirmd as advised the Generall in our last letter dated the 29th Septembr 1694, Zulphaker Cawn suddainly after removed his Army from Wandewash, and it was reported he went to take Shavengull Fort but his motions uncertain, at the same time came various reports of quarrells between him and the other Principall officers of the Army, and it was said they had orders from the King to seiz him. Whereupon the President order'd a spye Braminey to go and attend the motions of the camp, and send intelligence by four Peons appointed as Tappies, from whom this day recd a letter adviseing that Zulphaker Cawn is incamped to the northward of Chungamou Fort, the Morrattas make dayly incursions in ye camp and plunder[ed] them of five or six Horse. Att Wandewash the Inhabitants by reason of ye Moors army have left their habitations, and taken [to the] Hills nigh Chungamou Fort for their Protection. 10

The Mogulls Horse has lately harras'd and Plundered the Countrey, carrying with them both people and goods. Davout Cawn, Keyn * Sing Hauda and

* 'Keyla' in the I.O. copy.

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Dulpatrou, designe to seize of the Nabob when they shall see a fit oppertu^ty. The Nabob sent Rama Raja ten camell Loaden with Rupees, but they were intercepted by Davout Cawn, they hourly expect an oppertunity to seiz on the Nabob. The Morattas have poisoned the waters, and have mixed milke hedges in som of the Tanks which has killed aboundance of People.

Dispatch't a generall to M^r Braborne &c^a at Rhethora[h] of this date inclosed in which sent copy of a Consultation dat. 7^th Instant relateing to the Naigue of Moodera.

11 Received a Generall Letter from Fort S^t David dated 7^th Instant adviseing that they sent on[e] of their Councill to Negapatam for the R^t. Hon^ble Comp^a Pacquet, but that the Ship sailed from thence on the 29^th past for Trincomoley.

TUESDAY 13TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE: NATH^LL: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOMAS WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

Thomas Wigmore Sec^ry read his acco^t of Passes for the moneth of October and paid into the R^t Hon^ble Comp^a cash Pag^s 17 : 12 on that acco^t.

Generall Letter to the Agent &c^a of [Bengall] dated the 2^d and 12^th Instant read and appro[ved] allso a Generall Letter to the Generall a[tt Surratt] Dated 2^d. 12 and 13^th Instant and a generall Letter dated the 2^d to the Cheif &c^a. Councill at Vizagapatam, those dated the [2^nd instant] haveing been defer'd till now in hopes of [re]ceiving the R^t Hon^ble: Comp^s Pacquet from Ship London Friggatt.

M^r William Fraser Warehouskeeper r[ead] his Warehouse acco^ts for the month of October.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

14TH Dispatch't a generall Letter to the Chief &c^a at Vizagap^tm: dated 2^d Instant. also a generall Letter to y^e Agent &c^a of Bengall dated 2^d & 12^th Instants.

15 Dispatch't a generall Letter to the Generall of India dated 13^th and to the Generall, or in case of his absence to the President &c^a. at Surratt [dated 2^nd] & 12^th Instant [&c^a papers as per list entered in y^e coppy booke of Letters].

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

[THURS]DAY 15TH. THE HON^BLE NAT^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOMAS WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

M^r John Foquet Rentall Generall paid into y^e R^t Hon^ble: Comp^s Cash Pag^s 250: 10 fan^s on accompt [of] Quit Rents &c^a.

M^r Edmund Mountague Prov^ll Land Custom[er] paid into the R^t Hon^ble: Comp^s: Cash Pag^s 119 on acco^t. [of] Land Customes and read his acco^t. for the moneth of October, particulars Viz^t.

	Pags. fa. ca.
To Choultrey Custome	71 : 12 : 54
Rubie Broakers	26 : 10 : 4
Cloth Broakers	23 : 6 : 18
Pag^ds.	120 : 28 : 76

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The Beetle Farmers paid into the Rt. Honble: Compa. [cash] Pags. 100 being what due on that accot. from [ye 5th] October to the [15th]. Ditto from wch time till the 9th [instant] the Beetle being stop'd by the Junkannr [the] Payment for said time is remitted.

[Mr.] Walsh being sent for produceth the Journall of the Generall bookes letter M : M brought up to the end of December, and alledgeth that ye [following] moneths accots. are entred in fowle papers (but want copying) all but the remains and balance. Hee was ordered to proceed and finish them yt they might be sent home to the Rt. Honble: Com[pany] by ship Princess Anne of Denmarke.

One Jugga of the Braminy Cast being [found] guilty of robbery and felony at a genll. Sess[ions] holden the 25th day of April 1694 and conde[mned] to be hang'd, upon the earnest intercession [of ye] Rt. Honble: Companyes merchants, and [some] of the principall black Inhabitants w[as re]preivd, alledgeing it was contrary to the cu[stom] of the Countrey to put a Braminy to Dea[th] requesting he might be punished as accus[tomary] among the Jentues. It is agreed that the s[aid] Braminy be pardoned his life and ye Justices of the choultrey are ordered to cause him [to be] punished in the most disgracefull way [practiced] among the Jentues in like cases, after which turn'd out of Town under the Penalty of [being] hang'd whenever he returns.

The Justices of the Choultrey acqua[inting] that yesterday one Muttapa being found [mur]der'd, and a strict search made by the Tall[iars] they found the person one Punembulum [who] confessed the murder.

There being other criminalls in the cho[ultry] It is order'd that on Friday the 23d Instant [a] Generall Sessions be holden by the Judge Advocate &ca. and that the Attorney Generall do prosecute all the said Criminalls.

Ordered that when any goods are Laden from this place upon the Rt. Honble: Compa. accot. either for England, or any other place, the Invoice and Bill of Lading be compared before ye shipps departure and upon the arriveall of any ship either from Europe or any other place, the Invoice and Bill of Lading be upon receipt compared by the warehouskeeper and accomptant, that if there shall be any errours or mistakes, a report be made thereof and entred in consultation to prevent any erronious entries in the generall Bookes.

The Storekeeper is ordered to buy nineteen Timbers offered to sale at pa. 4 : 18 fanams each being from 23 to 19 Foot long.

Ordered that Paga. 219 be paid Mr Thomas Wright Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

Ordered that Joã Jones be entred a soldier for five years, for the two first years to receive Fiftey fanams ℘mensem, and then to receive the same pay as Europeans do.

Governa Pilla paid into the Rt. Honble: Comps. Cash pags. 5 : 11 : 2 on accot of the Pedenagues Duty, and on accompt of the Town Conicoply Pags. 211 : 24 : 4.

Ordered that Pags. Four hundred be advanced to Nina Palatcherree and Perrimall on accot [of] redwood and gun carriages.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Received a Generall Letter from the Deputy [Gov :] &ca of Fort St David dated the 14 Instant, allso a Letter from Capt. Hatton Commander of [the] London Friggatt to the Presidt. dated 12th Instant adviseing his arriveall at Tringombar where they were necessitated to come to an anchor[age] wanting Peease, flower, and rice. 18.

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[MON]DAY 19TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^ HIGGINSON ESQ^R^ PRESID^T^ & GOV^R^
M^R^ WILLIAM FRASER M^R^ JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R^ THOMAS WRIGHT M^R^ CHARLES BARWELL.

The weavours of the Salawar Cast, auncie[nt] Inhabi[tants haveing upon spareing them a] supply of Paddy agreed to make and deliver in four moneths brown neckclothes fine and course to the amount of two hundred & seaven Pag^s^. and the weavours of the Janrawarr Cast lately come from Coverepack to the amo^t^ of Pag^s^ one hundred ninety five. It is Order'd that the said money be impressed to y^e^ Cheif upon their signing Contracts as follows next after this Consultation and that three Garse of Paddy be spared to each Cast, at thirteen Mercall for a Pagoda.

A muster of striped Bettilla's was delivered to the weavours of each Cast to try to make one piece, in order to contracting with them for a quantity when Cotton shall be cheaper.

Ordered that Joan Antonie and Joan Martin be entertain'd as souldiers in this Garrison from the 16^th^ Instant and Pedro Gomes, and Ibrahim de Bombay from this day.

M^r^ Matthew Empson Late Prov^ll^ Sea Customer paid into the R^t^ Hon^ble^ : Comp^s^ Cash Pag^s^ Eight hundred twenty one, and read his acco^t^ for the month of Sep^br^ last [℘ticulars] Viz^t^.

			fa.	ca.
To Custome of goods imported and exported in this month	Pag :	2[295 :	15 :	03]
To Do. of graine	„	[309 :	23 :	02
Anchorage	„	47 :	0 :	0
[Tonnage]	„	55 :	20 :	0
[Salvage]	„	30 :	22 :	0
	Pag^ds^ :	2738 :	08 :	05]

The President read his acco^t^ of the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Companyes cash for the moneth of October the Ballance being Pag^s^ 7147 : 01 : 4.

The warehouskeeper being ordered by Consultation of the Eighth of September to deliv^r^ twelve pieces of morees No. 8 & 9 to be painted. He now reports that the merchants having none of that number, he has tryed to procure them in the Buzar, but finds they are short in measure, and dearer in the prices.

NAT : HIGGINSON.
WILL : FRASER.
JO : STYLEMAN.
THO : WRIGHT.
CHA : BARWELL.

Wee the Subscribers Inhabitants of Madrass and cheif weavours of the Sallawar Cast do acknowledge to have received of the President and Councill of Fort S^t^ George the sum̃e of two hundred and seaven Pag^s^ for w^ch^ wee promise and bargaine in behalfe of ourselves and cast and to make and deliver sixtey pieces neckclothes fine according to the muster now agreed, each piece being fortey Eight Coveds Long and one broad containing Sixteen Neckclothes at the rate of nineteen Pag^s^ a Corge and Five hundred and fortey pieces of neckclothes ordinary, each piece to containe Ten Neckclothes each neckcloth[es] three coveds long & one broad which is at the rate of thirty six neckcloth[es] for a Pagoda. The said neckclothes to be deliver'd brown within four months from the date hereof. In

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wittness whereof wee have hereunto set our hands & seales this nine[teenth] day of November Añ Dom̃ one thousand six hundred ninety four.

[Signed] and Sealed
[in the pre]sence of
[Tho: Wig]more Sec^ry

JANGHAM CHITTEE జగ్గమ శెట్టి. ○
VANGONA CHITTEE రడు. ○
RAGUAH CHITTEE his V Marke. ○
VINCATADRY వెకటాద్రి. ○

Wee the Subscribers Inhabitants of Madrass and cheif weavours of the Janrawar Cast do acknowledge to have received of the President and Councill of Fort S^t George the sume of one hundred ninety five Pag^s for w^ch we [doe] promise and bargaine in behalfe of ourselves and cast to make and deliver one hundred pieces neck clothes fine according to y^e must^r now agreed, each piece being fortey Eight coveds [long] and one coved broad containing sixteen neckclothes, at the rate of nineteen Pag^s a Corge, and three hundred and sixtey [pieces] Ordinary each piece to containe ten neck[cloths] and each neck cloth three coveds long and [one] coved broad which is at the rate of thirty [six] neck cloths for a Pagoda, the said neckcl[oths] to be deliver'd brown within four mon[ths] from the date hereof. In wittness whereof we have hereunto sett our hands and seales this nineteenth day of November An. Dom. one thousand six hundred ninety four.

Sign'd and sealed in the
presence of Tho: Wigmore
Sec^ry.

GAORY LUMGUM గురులిగ్గ ○
PAMY RAGOO his v marke ○
PAMY ALVAROO ంహాళ్వరు ○
MANOO VERONA ంవిరన్న ○

20. Received a Generall Letter from Cap^t Matthias Hatton Commander of Ship London Friggatt dated 13^th Instant in Trincombar road and a Gen^ll Letter from Fort S^t David dated 16 Inst̃ by M^r Edm^d Harrison Purser of said ship, accompanying the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Pacquet by Ditto ship, bro^t overland from Tringombar. The Purser reports that the Governour of Tringombar used them very civilly, and sent twenty Peons with the[m] as far as Fort S^t David for the convey of the pacquet.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTROARD^RY. TUESDAY 20.

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^r THOMAS WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

The R^t Hon^ble Comp^s Pacquet was opened & found to contain according to List as entred after this Consultation.

The Generall Letters to the Fort dated y^e third of January and second of February 169¾ were read, and the Invoice and Bill of Lading delivered to the warehouskeeper and accomptant to compare.

The Judge representing that the Gen^ll Sessions cannot be conveniently held so soon as Friday the 23^d Inst. It is refer'd to such [a] day in the next weeke as he finds most convenient.

Senhor Peter Elzivier of the Councill at Pollicat haveing entred an action in the Court of Admiralty against the Estate of Pedro Tores Dutchman, Inhabitant of this Citty & lately deceased whereof he claim's the moiety in right of his wife, and finding the Court not inclineable to determine the case by the Dutch Laws, He made two Petitions to the President & Councill, setting forth the Dutch Laws in such cases, [and] requireing the case may be adjudged accordingly. Since which his attorney John Caroon has prefer'd another Petition alledging a Defect in the Testament of Pedro Tores, and praying that the Estate may be secured to

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answr the demands of Senhor Elzivier. The French Padre Executor of the said will being sent for, he affirmes the validity of the will, but proposes a method of accommadating the difference, either by referring the whole to ye arbit[r]ation of som[e] persons mutually chosen, or by securing the one halfe of the Estate to answer Peter Elziviers demands.

This matter is taken notice of because it brings upon the Stage, a question concerning the admitting of Dutch Laws in our Courts, wch we are very willing to referr to the [Honble] Company because on the one ha[nd the Rt] Honble Company do allow the sever[all cast] of Inhabitants to enjoy their sev[erall cus]toms, on the other hand there ha[s been a very] severe instance of the Dutch th[eire judgeing] Mr Blackmore the Rt Honble Compas [servant] out of a great sume of money by the-[ire Dutch] Law at Mallacca and Batavia [which thô] an Affair of a different nature fr[om the division] of Inheritances, yet we are not [willing to] decide the question, and therefore [doe at present] permit the French Padre to make his proposals of an accomadation, and the [matter is re]fer'd to further consideration. I[n the mean]time it is ordered that the said [petition be] entred in the copy booke of letters [received].

The new Divan Meirza Mahomd [Shaffeir being come] to St Thoma, and haveing by Ha[jee Mahomod] Allee signified to the President, hi[s expectation] that we [should] take notice of his arriv[eall. It is] Ordered that the Cheif Dubash a[ttend him] with a present of a Chest of [rose water] and Fruit in Tonqueen Ba[nderas there] being occasion to court his fr[eindship and] concurrance in the quiet posse[ssion of the] New Towns. The disposeall of the Jaggeer lyeing much in his power, and may prevent the like trouble as was occasioned sometime since by their being given to Arsemonaigue.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACQUET TO FORT ST. GEORGE BY THE LONDON FRIGGETT.

1. Comps Generall to ffort St George Dated 3d January 169¾.
2. Comps Generall to ffort St David Dated 3 January 169¾.
3. Copy of the Comps Generall to the Bay Dated 3 January 169¾.
4. Copy of the Comps Generall to Surrat Dated 3 January 169¾.
5. Copy of the Comps Generall to Persia Dated 3 January 169¾.
6. Copy of the Comps Generall to Bencoolen Dated 3 Janry 169¾.
7. Copy of ye Comps Generall to ye Fort dated 27th Octobr 1693 sent overland.
8. Copy of ye Comps Generall to Surrat dated 27th Octobr 1693 sent overland.
9. Copy of Mr Yales Letter dated 10th February 1691.
10. Copy of Mr Yales Letter to Sr John Goldsborough dated 18 Octobr 1692.
11. Two Papers of Mr Nick's vindication sent the Compa by ye Dorothy.
12. Copy of their Majesties Charter dated the 7 October 1693.
13. Copy of their Majesties Charter dated the 11 Novembr 1693.
14. List of Coast Goods to be provided.
15. List of ffactors and writers sent on ye London Friggatt & Success to the Fort
16. Indentures of Covents & Bond for Vicessimus Griffith to be a ffactor.
17. Invoice of the London ffriggatt.
18. Bill of Lading of the said ship.
19. Charter party of the said ship.
20. Secret Letter to ye Genll & Councill at the Fort dated Janry 169 [¾].
21. List of Souldiers for the Fort.
22. List of ffactors and writers for the Bay.
23. Comps Generall to the Fort dated 2d February 1693.

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24. Copy of the Comp^s Generall to the 5 Armenian Merch^ts a[t] Julpha dated 3^rd January 169¾. [20TH]
25. M^r John Davis his paper superscribed S^r John Biggs, & M^r Henry Alfords acco^t Currant.
26. M^r John Davis his Letter to M^r Higginson and M^r Pitt.

Ship Lorretto William Stocke master arrived from Vizagapatam by whome rec^d a Generall Letter from [*lacuna*] of no date adviseing the continuance of the Stop of their Investments Occasioned by the Rebellion of Chitteram enclosed in w^ch came their Consultations from the 6^th September 1694 to 10^th November Ditto.

ATT A CONSULTATION WEDNESDAY 21

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOMAS WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

The Copies of the R^t Hon^ble Companyes Generall Let[ters] for Bencoolen, Surrat, Bengall and Persia dated 3 January 169¾ received ℔ship London Friggett wer[e read.]

Ordered that the said Generall Letters and allso [that] to Fort S^t George be copied, and sent by Patte[mars] Viz^t the Bengall Letter to Bengall, the rest to h[is Excell^cy] the Generall at Surrat for fear of the miscarr[iage on] long Passage of the ships bound to those Ports as [it] happened with the Modena in the year 1692, w[hich] did not arrive at Surrat till six monthes after the arriveall of those bound to Bengall and y^s p[lace] at this time of the year.

Ordered that Domingo Pereira a Portuguez be entertained a souldier in this Garrison.

Paddy being very dear and scarse, and beca[use] there hath not been halfe so much raine th[is year] as usuall, there is cause to fear a greater [scarssity] and the greater part of our Supply being ex [pected by] Boats from the northward and southward upon the report of our Limitting the p[rize of] ingrossed Paddy for the present releif of th[e poore] be diverted to the neighbouring parts wh[ere] Paddy is thirty or fortey ℔Cent dearer. It is order[ed that] a bill be fixed upon the sea gate and [Choulterey] gate in Mallabar and Jentue declareing when Boats and Vessells next arrive w[ith Paddy] they shall have liberty to sell at such rate[s as the] buyers and Importers can agree for.

M^r Dolben representing that he had for[merly] contracted with Portugueze for delivering [nine] hundred Baggs of Salt Petre at Goa for the [Vice]Roys account, which being now come into [the road] from Bengall, which he desires may be Travers'd aboard another ship and proceed for Goa. It is ordered that he have liberty for exporting the said [salt]petre, giveing the useall obligation for it's being deliver'd to the ViceRoy w^ch obligation to be deliver'd him upon his produceing the ViceRoys certificate for the rec^t of the same.

The tobacco Farmers complaining that for somtime past, they have not sold the tenth part of the tobacco as hath been usually sold in the towne, which is supposed to be cheifly occasioned by Chittees or Merchants selling by retail privately out of their Godowns, w^ch of late they have refused the Farmers to examine (as their Cowle Directs). It is ordered that y^e Justices of the Choultrey do cause the tobacco to be examined in the severall godownes as mentioned in a list now delivered them and make a report thereof.

The R^t Hon^ble Company in the 30 Paragra^ph of their letter by the London Friggatt, confirming and referring to their Orders in their Gen^ll Letter dated the 10^th April 1693 which appoints the continuation and encouragement of Lading permissive goods by the Armenians & all others. It is order'd that the following bill be affixed by the Secretary on the Sea gate Viz^t.

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All persons have liberty to lade Bengall and China permissive goods on Ships Princesse [Ann] of Denmarke and Armenian Merchant for [Eng]land on the usuall terms. The former being a [daily] expected from Bengall and will be dispatched f[rom] hence w^th^ all expedition. Those who intend to [lade] Bales or goods on said Ship, are desired to deliver the list thereof as soon as they can conveni[ently] to [y^e^] warehousekeeper, who is appointed to [give] orders as desired for their Lading.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

22 Dispatch't a Generall Letter to the Depu[ty Gov^r^] &c^a^ at Fort S^t^ David dated the 21^st^ Inst.

MONDAY 26TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^ HIGGINSON ESQ^R^ PRESID^T^ & GOV^R^
M^R^ WILLIAM FRASER M^R^ JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R^ THOMAS WRIGHT M^R^ CHARLES BARWELL.

M^r^ Charles Barwell Sea Customer paid into the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Companys Cash Pag^s^ 888 : on acco^t^ Sea Customes.

Order'd that Edward Salter one of the gunroom Crew be discharg'd, he haveing served his contracted time and desireing it.

The President haveing discoursed w^th^ the merch^ts^ concerning the takeing off the Europe goods upon Ship London Friggat, and makeing a further Investm^t^ they now delivered their answer, that they have held a Consultation among themselves & cann[ot] undertake to contract for all the Europe goods, & as to the Investment, haveing sent Namashaiwa[ya] to Chombawo and Ballaupo the two principall places in the Pullemullee Countrey for provideing of Longcloth, and found the weavours ready to lea[ve] their Dwellings and go to the Southward, Paddy being in those parts at seaven mercall for a Pag^da^ and great apprehensions of a famine, but that he prevailed with them to accept of som Imprest money for makeing cloth till the latter end of Decem^br^ by which time if the raines prove favourable they would stay, if not they would remove to the southward where grain is cheaper.

The merchants have therefore resolved not to undertake any Contract till after Christmass, & then if the fears of a famine shall be removed, they will undertake an Investment of Fiftey thousand Pag^s^ deliverable in twelve moneths time Viz^t^ in the moneths of March, June, September and December, by even portions, for which they will take part goods, and part money.

While wee were receiving the foregoeing answer from our merchants, arrived a letter from Fort S^t^ David Dated the 22^d^ Instant, in answer to ours of the sixth relating to the makeing of an Investment at Fort S^t^ David for Fiftey thousand Pag^s^ and for the vending of Europe goods, wherein their Merch^ts^ do at present refuse to comply for the following reasons. That when they formerly tooke goods upon contract, they lost greatly by them, and must loose now if they take them, which their Stocke and Trade will not bear. If they take Silver, they must send it to Madrass to be disposed off. That they cannot provide goods now as formerly Paddy and cotton being now so dear.

They allso advise that their Merch^ts^ are unwilling to receive any more money for provideing of goods deliverable in February next, upon the weavours term's.

Also their last letter from Vizagapatam was reperused, wherein it is observed they advise of a sudden stop put upon the progresse of their present invest[ment] occasioned by the rebellion of Chitteram, & their apprehensions of a famine

in those parts for want of raine, and for these two reasons their Merchts do refuse to make any further Investment.

The disposeall of the Europe goods and the Investments of the Coast are efered to further consideration.

Generall Letter to Vizagapatam of this date read and approved, adviseing the sorts of Coast goods ordered by list to be provided, and giveing them directions for treating wth their merchants for an Investment of 50000 Pags but not to conclude till further advise for above 20000. Also a genll Letter to Bengall of the same date read & approved, sending them a copy of [ye] Rt Honble Comps generall Letter to the Agent &ca with our directions and advices relateing thereunto.

Mr Joseph Lister* haveing requested leave for makeing a voyage to Goa, for gaining experience in merchandizeing, upon consideration of the Rt Honble Comps orders in their generall to Surrat dated the 3d January 169¾ relateing to Mr Richard Stanley. It is by majority resolved that we cannot give him leave to proceed on said voyage.

Upon the great Scarsity of Paddy and Complt of the Inhabitants and Poor, Mr Wright & Mr Barwell haveing been Order'd to take care that the rice and Paddy lodged by merchants and Chittees in their Godowns (who refused to sell expecting a better price) be sold at the rate of thirteen mercll for a Pagoda. They make the following report Vizt.

The grain Conicoply being sent severall times in persuance of the order of Consultation to Mr Chardin[e] to dispose of his Paddy to the severall Inhabitants of this place at the rate of thirteen mercall for a Pagoda. He brought answer, that Mr Chardin[e] measured of halfe a garse to the late President Yales Servants, but would not measure any to the people imployed by the Company, saying it was so good for them, and that they had enough in their godowns, and would dispose of no more but to the poor (to each two fanams) wch was consented to, but when they began to measure he sent his orders to his servants to sell no more then twelve mercall for a Pagoda.

It is ordered that the Secretary do send ye Copy thereof to Mr Chardin[e], and report his answer.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Delivered a Passe to Ship Dilligence William Rogers master bound to Goa. 28TH
Dispatch't the following Generall Letters Vizt. To the Cheif &ca at Vizagapatam dated the 26 Instant. To the Agent and Councill of Bengall of same date and to the Generall of India at Surrat dated the 21st Instant wth the severall other papers mentioned in the Lists of said Pacquets.

THURSDAY 29

No Consultation.

MONDAY DECEMBER 3

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HONBLE NATHLL HIGGINSON ESQR PRESIDT & GOVR
MR WILLIAM FRASER MR JOHN STYLEMAN
MR THOMAS WRIGHT MR CHARLES BARWELL

Mr William Fraser warehouskeeper paid into ye Rt Honble Comps Cash Pags 1000 on accot [of] goods sold.

Mr Thomas Wright read his Paymasters accots for the moneth of October particulars Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pags	718 :	6
Charges Generall	„	487 :	34
Yegmore & New Towns	„	0 :	27

* I.O. copy reads 'Leister.'

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Charges Diett	Pag^s	346 : 15
Charges Merchandize	„	105 : 29
Charges Cattle	„	24 : 28
Fort S^t David	„	12 : 7
Rutterra	„	10 : 5
Fortifications and Repairs	„	35 : 17
	Pag^s	1741 : 24

In order to the more effectuall examination of Chittees Godowns of Tobacco as ordered on the 21 past, It is ordered that the Justices do cause all the Severall Godowns to be seald up, and so to remaine till they are examined.

Ordered that Thomas Rosara, Emanuel De Mount and Simon Gonsalvo Portugueze be entertained as Souldiers in this garrison.

Thomas Wigmore Secretary read his acco^t [of] Passes for the moneth of November and paid into the R^t Hon^ble Companyes Cash Pag^s 2 : 24 fanams.

Ordered that Pag^s one thousand be paid M^r Tho: Wright Paymaster for the defraying charges garrison.

M^r Chardin[e] in answer to the information menc̃oned in the Consultation of the 26^th past, doeth affirme that the report given by the black servants is false, and that he had not heard of the publick order for selling off Paddy, but being now acquainted therewith will conform thereunto.

The President read his acco^t of the R^t Hon^ble Comp^s cash for the moneth of Novemb^r the Balance being P^a 9238 : 11 : 4.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

4 Briggantine Acheen Merchant Robert Masfen Master arrived in this road from Bengall, but the wind blowing hard the master came not ashoare.

5 This morning Captain Masfen came ashoare and brought a Pacquet from the Agent &^ca Councill containing a Generall letter dated the10^th Nov^br 1694 and severall other papers according to List as entred in the Copy Booke of Letters. The Briggantine came over the Braces on the 25^th November last and there was then no news of the Successe or Martha in Bengall. Said Letter advises the Losse of the Royall James and Mary on a Sand near Tumbolee Point going up Hughly River on the 23 Sept^r last and that they intended to dispatch y^e Princesse hither the begining of December, and the Hawke directly for England in January next.

7 Briggantine Speedwell arrived in this road from Ganjam and Acheen.

SATERDAY 8.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOMAS WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

Ordered that Pag^s one thousand be paid M^r Thomas Wright Paymaster for defraying charg^s garrison.

Ordered that Christopher Fanning be entertained as a Rounder in this garrison from y^e 23^d Novemb^r last.

Upon the examination of the Land Custome acco^t of cloth brought into the Choultrey by the Companyes Merchants from July 1687 to April 1694, haveing never yet been right[ly] stated, nor accompted with the Merchants. The Choultrey acco^ts being examined and compared with an acco^t now produced by the Merchants, it doeth appear that there has been a considerable quantity of cloth Imported

at the Choultrey by some of the Comp^s Merchants which was not for the Joint Stocke acco^t but for their own private acco^ts, but their names not known, and is not owned by the merchants, It is ordered that the acco^t of cloth delivered and embaled for the R^t Hon^ble Compa^s acco^t be stated, and the Land Custom thereof charged to y^e Merch^ts at such rate as shall be hereafter agreed [upon], and that the Land Custome of the overpluss be charged to the Joint Stocke Merchants acco^t and two and a halfe ℔ Cent as other merchants pay.

And to prevent the like inconvenience for the future, it is ordered that the Land Customer do passe no cloth brought to the Choultrey in the name of the Comp^s Merchants, but such as he shall receive a Chittee for signed by Tondaway Chittee, or Rama Kisna (the persons now appointed by the merchants for that purpose) and enter in his monethly acco^t Curr^t a particular acco^t of the sorts and quantities of cloth imported, which together with the Chittees is to be delivered to the Booke[ke]eper.

Ordered that Pag^s 42 : 13 : 13 be paid by the Paymaster to Doctor Buckley, being so much expended by him for Drugs and other necessaries for the Hospitall, from the first of December 1693 to the last of October 1694 as by his acco^t now del^d.

M^r John Styleman read his Journal acco^t of the General Bookes for the moneths of May, June and July last.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Received a Generall Letter from ffort S^t David dated the 3 Instant w^th Duplicate of the Generall Letter by ship London ffriggat dated y^e 26^th past. 8

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 10TH.

Present

THE HON^BLE NATH^LL HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT AND GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOMAS WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

Ordered that Pag^s 300 be paid Mr. Nath^ll [Stone] for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Depu[ty Gov^r and] Councill of Fort S^t David, dated the 3 Inst [as] advised in their Generall Letter of Ditto d[ate].

Ordered that John Barret and Gasp[er Fereira] two Portugueze be entertained as Sould[iers in the] garrison.

The warehousekeeper produceing a[n acco^t remaines] in the godowne, It is ordered that he sell [by publick] outcry all the remains excepting Lead & [broad cloth &^c] and some particulars reserv'd for prese[nts and goods] for Europe, particularly the Tonqueen La[cquered ware] be sold except the chests, which are to be [sent homefilled] w^th Callicoes: and that the ordinary Indigo [from Fort] St David be sold at outcry Viz^t so much [as will sell] at Pag^s 15 ℔ Candy, and that the rest be [sent home] or reserv'd for further sale as occas[ion shall requiere].

Ordered that the remaines of Sto[res be also] put to outcry by the 15^th January next, [by w^ch time] the Countrey Shipping will be arriv[ed reserveing] only so much as is necessary for the [use of y^e] Garrison and that the godowns be [all cleared fit] for the receiving of the Europe goods by the London ffriggot.

The warehousekeeper is ordered to provide one Thousand Shirts of Longcloth Blew, five hundred of Morees ordinary white, and five hundred of Morees fine, to go home by the Princesse or Armenian Mer[chant] according to the list by the London ffriggot, by w^ch Mor[e] may be hereafter made to compleat the quantity [of] said list The Morees fine and blew shirts to be made out of the cloth brought

in by the merch[ants] by Contract, the ordinary Morees not being any of the sorts mentioned in former Contracts w^th the merch[ants] remaine to be contracted for on Thursday next.

M^r Charles Barwell read his acco^t of Sea Custome for the moneth of October last and M^r William Fraser his acco^t of stores for Ditto moneth.

The Brickmakers who had contracted with the Company for 1500 bricks for one Pagoda, haveing complained that other Brickmakers do make and sell them dearer to the Inhabitants, and that y^e Ox-men do inforce the Inhabitants to pay them double ox hire for bringing in bricks, the Paymaster being thereupon order'd to unite all the Brickmakers & oxen men into a Company, and Contract w^th them to furnish the R^t Hon^ble Company and Inhabitants, does report that the Brickmakers are content [and willing to furnish y^e R^t Hon^ble Company w^th Bricks well burned att y^e rate of 1700 for a Pagoda, and the European Inhabitants att 1500 for a Pagoda Cleare of all charges, and the Natives 1500 for one Pagoda, the buyers payeing Oxhire one fanham for 300 bricks bringing into Towne, w^ch is approved, but that the Brickmakers shall not sell or deliver any bricks to any person or persons w^th out y^e Paymasters leave, w^ch is cheifly intended to prevent the Moors building any Mosketes as they have lately intended, as well as to prevent other irregular buildings. The Paymaster is ordered to advance y^e Brickmasters on this acco^t Pago^ds 300.

Generall lett^rs to his Excellency S^r Jo^n Geyre and M^r John Braborne of this date, read, and signed and delivered to W^m Rogers master of Shipp Dilligence bound for Goa, and in his way to touch att Brinjohn.

Discoursed concerning y^e sale of Europe goods and the overland trade of pepper but nothing resolved. Doct^r Brown returning from Nabob Cossim Cawn (whome he went to cure of his wounds) brought his lett^r to y^e Presid^t:, and a horse of y^e Turkey Cast, w^th a mane reaching to y^e ground, w^ch cost y^e Nabob (as Doct^r Brown sayes) 1000 Rup^s and is good of the kind. It is ordered y^t broad cloth fine, Aurora, and ordinary, and Perpetuanoes fine and ordinary bee sent him by his own servants to y^e value of about 200 Pago^ds: as well a returne for his present, as because whenever the Inland trade opens a considerable part thereof is driven in his Countrey, and there appears a probability that he will contribute all that lyes in his power towards y^e encouragement of Merchants in bringing Pepper overland hither and y^e vending of broadcloth in his Camp and Countrey, his Camp being seaven thousand Horse.

NATH^LL: HIGGINSON.
W^M: FRAZER.
JOHN STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHAR: BARWELL.

11 Shipp Bagavante Shaek Kosmaun Nocqueda arrived from Bengall.

11 Last night Shipp Dilligence sail'd for Rethorah and Goa.

THURSDAY 13TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE: NATH^LL: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T: & GOV^R:
M^R W^M: FRAZER M^R JO^N: STYLEMAN.
M^R THO^S: WRIGHT M^R CHAR: BARWELL.

Ordered that Pago^ds 350 be paid to Mr Alvaro Da Fonseca, being for one bill of exchange drawn by y^e Deputy Gover^r and Councill] of Fort S^t David dated the 3^d Instant [as advised in] their generall Letter of ditto date.

Ship London ffriggat haveing been [in sight these two] days but detain'd by contrary winds [and currents and] uncertaine when she will get into this

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[road, ordered] that Liveten^{t} [Sinclair] go aboard with [2 boats and] bring all the souldiers ashoare, and th[at an order] be sent to the Commander accordingly.

The following generall Letters were [read & signed] Viz^{t} to the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company to be sent [per ship Hawke] To the Agent and Councill of Bengall, To [the Cheife and] Councill of Ballasore, and To the Cheif and [Councill] of Vizagapatam and to the Deputy Gov^{r} [and Councill] of ffort S^{t} David, all dated the 11th and 12th [Instant].

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

TO [THE HON^{BLE}] WILLIAM HATSELL ESQ^{R}
[DEPUTY] GOVERNOUR &C^{A} COUNCILL
[ATT FORT ST.] DAVID.

FORT S^{T} GEORGE 12TH DECEMBER 1694.

The R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company having given liberty for buying Pepper for their acco^{t} either comeing by sea or Land at 24 Pag^{s} a Candy, if not to be had cheaper, & particularly recommending the incouragement of the overland trade, which was formerly driven between the Malabar Coast and Anclore, which the Dutch [have] been at much pains and cost to obstruct and divert to Tutecorree. Wee send you inclosed two Paragraphs of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Generall Letter to us, if you have any Prospect of reviveing that trade, advise us, enquire into the circumstances of the places from whence y^{e} Pepper first comes, through which it passes and at what times and by whome it is brought.

The prosecuting of the overland trade of Pepper ought to be managed wth such secresy, that your neighbours the Dutch might not be acquainted therewth for they will certainly do all that lyes in their power to prevent it, we have therefore written this Letter apart, that it may be communicated to no more then you shall thinke fit to entrust, and if you find the Dutch have any intelligence thereof, let us know the person that betrays his trust and he shall not have an oppertunity of offending a second time in that nature. Wee are

Yo Loveing Freinds.

Dispatch't the following Generall Letters by a Peon in company of M^{r} 14TH
Shepheard Viz^{t} to the Cheif and Councill of Vizagapatam dated the 12th. To the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} dated the 11th to be sent by ship Hawke. To the Agent and Councill of Bengall dated the 12th and To y^{e} Cheif and Councill of Ballasore dated y^{e} 12th Instant, wth orders to be forwarded from Vizagapatam to Ballasore by fresh Peons.

Dispatcht two Generall Letters both dated 12th Instant to the Deputy Governour and Councill of ffort S^{t} David.

Ship London ffriggat came to an anchor a little to y^{e} southward of this 15
Road, the wind being no[r]therly and saluted the ffort, in the evening the Cap^{t} came ashoare.

Received advice from the Braminey at the Camp, that Zulphaker Cawn had Treasure sent him by y^{e} Mogull for the payment of his Army and two wives (the Grand Daughters of Shahester Cawn) whome he ordered to be sent to Wandewash, whether he intends to returne after he has taken two, or three small Morratta fforts.

Last night ship Dorothy arrived in this Road from Bencoolen, from whence they came the 14th Octob^{r} last, and this morning the Supra Cargo and Cap^{t} came ashoare, and brought a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Councill of Yorke ffort dated 13th October last adviseing that they had drawn bills of Exchange for Dollers 4010. Allso a Generall Letter of same date for the Agent and Councill of Bengall (for which place ship Dorothy was design'd) and a copy of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Generall Letter to the Go[ver^{r}] and Councill of Yorke Fort dated 2nd January 169$\frac{3}{4}$.

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16 The said Supra Cargo and Commander acquainting the President and Councill that there had been a Mutiny in the ship, and a designe of running away with her, upon the discovery of which they had put the two cheif Leaders in Irons, and desired they might be brought ashoare and secured, to prevent the execution of their designe. Livetenant Seaton w^th^ twelve musketiers was sent aboard w^th^ the Commander, and brought the men ashoare, who were committed to the Custody of the Marshall.

By a Countrey Boat w^ch^: arrived this day from Vizagap^tm^ rec^d^ a Generall Letter from the Cheif &c^a^ dated 10^th^ Inst. w^th^ copy of their generall letter by ship Lorretta dated 8 November, and copies of their Consultations and Diaries from the 10^th^ November last to the 9 Instant &c^a^ papers according to the List. They advise the continuance of the Rebellion of Sumbeared and Chitteram &c^a^ Rajahs against the Seer Lasscar, and that three thousand Horse and Foot have pitched their Tents within a mile of the Factory, pretending they are goeing to the assistance of the seer Lasscarr but not known which side they will take at last.

MONDAY 17TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^: HIGGINSON ESQ^R^ PRESID^T^ & GOVERN^R^
M^R^ WILLIAM FRASER — M^R^ JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R^ THOMAS WRIGHT — M^R^ CHARLES BARWELL.

M^r^ Samuel Langley Supra cargo, and Cap^t^ Trenwith Commander of Ship Dorothy, were sent for & acquainted, that the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Company haveing inform'd us that the said Ship was bound on a voyage to China, we desired them to give us an acco^t^ in writeing, of the occasion of their comeing hither, and what businesse they have here, that we may advise the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Company by the next Ship. They were allso ordered to give an acco^t^ in writeing of the mutiny that had been in the Ship dureing the voyage.

Ship London Friggat being birth'd at so great a distance from the Shoare, that it will hinder the speedy unladeing of the Ship, the Commander was sent for, and desired to bring her in as much nearer as he thought safe.

Ordered that all the Treasure and goods on board Ship London Friggat, be unladen w^th^ all speed, and that the treasure be first brought ashoare well buoy'd and one of the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Comp^s^ servants be sent aboard in each boat.

In persuance of the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Comp^s^ orders for Coining of rupees for Bengall, It is ordered that fiftey thousand rupees be coined, and that y^e^ silver Ingotts be deliver'd to the mintmaster as he shall call for them.

The Commander of Ship London Friggat acquainting us that severall Bales are dammaged, and the surplices rotted, that they will not hold to bring the cloth ashoare. It is ordered that the warehouskeep^r^ assist him with gunnies, ropes and Packers, as occasion requires for secureing the Bales: and that the Bales as they come ashoare be survey'd by the warehousekeeper, his assistants and M^r^ John Penford, in the presence of the Captain or Purser, and a report thereof made and all the s^d^ Bales haveing laine a years time in the Ship, & probably may lye some time longer in y^e^ Godown before sold, It is ordered that they be all opened air'd and repack'd.

The warehousekeeper haveing formerly reported severall Bales dammaged, by Ship Princesse Anne of Denmarke, some whereof haveing been sold, It is ordered that he make a computation of y^e^ dam̃age to be remitted to the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Company by the same Ship.

The Paymaster is ordered to go aboard Ship London Friggat, and muster the said ships Comp^a^ tomorrow.

Order'd that a bill be set upon the Sea gate giveing notice that the wine Licence will be exposed [to] sale on Saturday next being the 22^d^ Instant for the ensueing year commencing the first [of] January [next].

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Seal.

The Joint Stocke merchants haveing been ord[ered] by their Generall Rules in Consultation 13th Augst 1688 to make a seal w^{ch} hath been hitherto omitted; but being now made (as in y^{e} margent) at the request [and] wth the consent of the said Joint Stocke merchan[ts], It is order'd that the said seal be by them hereafter affixed to all Bills, Bonds, and Contracts, and a[ll] specialties relating to their Joint Stocke businesse and that the Said Seal together wth the names of [the] four Principal Merchants and Cashkeeper, shall oblige the Joint Stocke merchants in the same ma[nner] as if the writeing were actually sign'd wth their [severall] names, and sign'd wth their own seales, and for the better Confirming the validity of their seal, and [to] give them [a] better reputation that they may be able to borrow money when their occasions shall require, for the carrying on of the Investment. It is ordered upon their request that one thousand Pag^{s} of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Cash be lent them, on their Bond so sign'd and sealed, at ten ℘ Cent Interest for one moneth.

The Beetle Farmers paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Cash Pag^{s} two hundred and fiftey on y^{t} acco^{t} for one moneth ending the 9th Instant.

Order'd that Pag^{s} two hundred and fiftey be paid M^{r} Thomas Wright Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDINARY

WEDNESDAY 19TH

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^{R} PRESID^{T} & GOV^{R}
M^{R} WILLIAM FRASER M^{R} JOHN STYLEMAN
M^{R} THOMAS WRIGHT M^{R} CHARLES BARWELL.

M^{r} Samuel Langley delivering a paper to y^{e} Presid^{t} in persuance of the order of Consultation of the 17th Instant. The Councill was summoned, and said paper read (copy whereof is entred after y^{e} Consult^{n}) whereupon It is resolved that the following answ^{r} be given him Viz^{t} That if he will make appear to us that the whole Cargo belongs to the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company, and is consign'd to himselfe, and that he hath Instructions, or power to dispose of the same here; and let us know what parts thereof he thinkes fit for the market, we will give him the best adv[ice] and assistan[c]e we can, for promoteing the good of [the] voyage, so far as consists wth the R^{t} Hon^{ble}; Comp^{s} in[terest] and in the meantime they shall be furnished with what provisions and other necessaries the place affor[ds] for the recruit of the Ship.

The foregoeing being read to M^{r} Langley, he produ[ced] to us an Order of the Court Committees, declaring hi[m] supra Cargo of the ship, and a Paragraph of his Instru[ctions] as follows Viz^{t}.

Being dispatcht from Bencoolen you are to p[roceed] for Chutanuttee in Bengall, as in our Instruc[tions] to the Captain, and while you are there we [would] have you wth the advice of our Agent and Councill in Bengall to dispose of what of our cargo you [can] for ready money or other proper goods for China that you shall judge may turne us to a better[account] in China, then the goods we shall then have on bo[ard] the said ship.

By which it doth appear that he hath power to dispose of any part of his Cargo in Bengall with the advice of the Agent and Councill, and consequen[tly] herewith our advice, and not otherwise.

M^{r} Langley further declares that he hath on board said ship 270 Bales of Broad Cloth, Perpetuanoes &c^{a} and no more: the greatest part whereof he desires to dispose off here wth: 200 Cases of Spirits, and 70 Candy of Pepper.

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The Judge being called away to Court, and the rest of the Councill to other businesse, the Consideration hereof, is refer'd till tomorrow.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

TO THE HON^BLE^ NATH^LL^ HIGGINSON
ESQ^R^ PRESIDENT &C^A^ COUNCILL.

Hon^d^ S^r^ &c^a^.

In compliance to your demands, these are to acquaint you that the Cargo aboard ship Dorothy Cap^t^ Henry Trenwith Commander, intirely belongs to the Hon^ble^: East India Comp^s^: Generall Joint Stocke and by them Consign'd sole[l]y to my disposeall and mannagement, that said ship was allso by them Ordered out of England for Batavia (provided we could reach it by a prefixt time) and thence for China, and so for England; but in case we could not arive [att] Batavia accordingly, then if I thought fit to proceed for Bencoolen, and there to take in what Pepper the Company had ready in their warehouses (as by an order from the Hon^ble^ Company to [y^e^ Agent and Councill there) and to proceed for Chutanuttee in Bengall, stayeing there till y^e^ season of y^e^ year offered for China, but wee meeting w^th^ an extream long passage to y^e^ Cape of Good Hope, the time calculated by y^e^ Hon^ble^ Company was so farr expired as to oblidge us to proceed from y^e^ said Cape for Bencoolen dierectly, where wee tooke in what pepper the Agent and Councill of York Fort could procure for us, and from thence wee intended for Bengall, but pleying it up upon y^e^ Sumatra Coast wee discovered an hellish designe amongst our seamen to run away w^th^ the ship, y^e^ particulars of w^ch^ are att large inserted in a paper of severall attestations relateing thereto delivered y^r^ Hon^r^ and Councill att our first arrivall, two of the Mutineers being brought ashoare in Irons. And further it being soe late in y^e^ yeare y^t^ wee could not reach Chuttannuttee in Bengall early enough to negotiate a traffique (considering withall the other circumstances wee lay under) wee judged it most for y^e^ Hon^ble^ East India Comp^s^ Interest to come for this place, hopeing here to dispose of some of theire Cargo and y^t^ exemplary justice might be inflicted upon those Miscreants our Mutineers for y^e^ security of our future Voiage, which I earnestly recommend to your consideration and in behalf of the Hon^ble^ East India Company presume to request y^r^ Hon^r^ &c^a^ Councills advice and assistance to me in promoteing theire Interest dureing my stay here being.

Hon^d^ S^r^ &c^a^
Y^r^ most hum^ble^ serv^t^
SAM^LL^ LANGLEY.

Fort S^t^. George
Decem^br^ 1694.

19TH Recievd a gen^ll^ Lett^r^ from Fort S^t^. David dated y^e^ 13^th^ Instant with severall acco^ts^ relateing to M^r^ Constable and Conicoply Verago.

Shipp Happy Returne arrived in this Road from Bengall the Master whereof advises y^t^ Ship Princess Ann of Denmarke was in Ballasore road.

THURSDAY 20TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^ble^ NATH^LL^: HIGGINSON ESQ^R^ PRESID^T^ & GOV^r^.
M^R^ WILLIAM FRAZER M^R^ JO^N^ STYLEMAN
M^R^ THO^S^ WRIGHT M^R^ CHARLES BARWELL.

In answer to M^r^ Langleys proposeall entered in Yesterdayes consultation, It is resolved:

1. That Mr. Langley be advised that wee have occasion for y^e^ Pepper for y^e^ R^t^ Hon^ble^: Comp^s^: acco^t^ and will buy it of him, if he will take such a price

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as wee can afford to give, otherwise that both the Pepper and Cases of spirits will sell well att publick outcry, if he cannot otherwise dispose of them to his satisfaction. Second^{ly} That y^{e} R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{a} haveing distributed to all parts of India as much Europe cloath as was thought vendable, and haveing as much and more then the Marketts of y^{e} Coast of Choromandell will take of in a yeares time, It is our advice that none of y^{e} Dorothys Cargo bee exposed to sale here, for these two reasons.]

[First that] the injury accrewing to the sales of [cloth sent out] to ffort S^{t} George, will be much more then the profit can be expected by the sale of y^{e} Dorothys cargo here, the prizes and Sales of Broadcloth abating and being at a stand meerly upon the arriveall of the Ship, and if the cargo be sold here, it will glut the market, so that we shall not be able to turne our cloth into money for carrying on the Investments, that being the maine of our Stocke, the Silver being appointed for Bengall and the West Coast.

Secondly there hath been much greater quantities sold in China to good profit, and there is noe reason to doubt but this cargo will sell well there.

For the foregoeing reasons we are possitive that it is against the R^{t} Hon^{be} Comp^{s} Interest, that M^{r} Langley sell any Europe cloth in this place, and the reason will hold in the same Force in Bengall, if they have received by the Martha and Successe any considerable quantity.

The foregoeing being read to M^{r} Langley, he exprest himselfe satisfied with the reasons for not disposeing of his cargo of cloth here, and that he did not intend to do it without our consent.

Haveing declared that he did intend to sell the Pepper, he was ask'd what price he would take for it, he answer'd he was not well satisfied in the market price, but would consider of it.

M^{r} Langley was allso desired if he had any [fine] Ingots Silver to exchange some wth us for the like value in Standard Silver, the finer being most prop^{r} for coining into Rupees, allso to spare us a Bale of fine Scarlet Broad cloth there being none come by the London Friggat.

The Europe cloth by the London Friggat appearing to be dammaged, M^{r} Langley was adviced to cause his Bales to be brought ashoare & aired to prevent further dammage by lyeing longer in the hold, to be free of Custome not being intended for sale.

M^{r} Edmund Mountague Prov^{ll} Land Customer paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Cash Pag^{s} 216 on acco^{t} Land Custome.

M^{r} Thomas Wright Paymaster reports y^{e} number of men belonging to ship London Friggat, to be sixtey two, according to a roll now produced.

John Dolben Esq^{r} and M^{r} Thomas Wright Attorn^{s} to the administrators of M^{r} Richard Brown dec^{d} paid into the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Comp^{s} Cash Pag^{s} 1500 (being part of the Estate of said Richard Brown) at ten ₱ Cent Interest ₱ annum for six moneths.

Order'd that Pag^{s} Fiftey be Imprest to Punumbulum a weavour and Inhabitant of this place, for the provideing of 180 pieces of course neck cloths, at the rate of thirty six for a Pagoda, to be delivered within four months time.

It is order'd that on Monday the 24th Instant at nine a clocke in the morning a Court Martiall be held in the ffort, for the Triall of the mutineers of Ship Dorothy, and there being no roome in the ffort convenient for it, the Paymaster is ordered to cause the Tents to be put up, and that M^{r} Tredcroft draw out a Precept to summon the Europe Commanders, and those that formerly used to be off, and sit in the Court Martiall, and that the information and examination of the severall persons taken aboard y^{e} said Ship relateing thereto be given to the Attorney Generall, in order to his drawing up the Indictments against the Prisoners, and the severall Evidences aboard the Dorothy be sent ashoare to give their evidence in Court.

The tobacco Farmers paid into the R^{t} : Hon^{ble} : Comp^{s} cash Pag^{s} 466 : 24 being for two months on that acco^{t}.

Order'd that Pag^{s} 466 : 24 be paid M^{r} Thom^{s} Wright Paymaster for defraying charges garrison.

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Order'd that Thomas Holbidge be entred of the gunroome Crew.

The warehousekeeper is order'd to sell Broadcloth at Pag^s 26 the halfe piece, to those that buy 20 halfe pieces together, and 27 Pag^s the halfe piece to those that buy lesse and the greatest part of that damag'd [cloth] by the Princesse remaining yet unsold, It is ordered that the same be sold at 23, 24, or 25 Pag^s: the halfe piece according to the dammage and number of pieces bought at a time, and that in the sale of Aurora, Cloth Rashes and Perpetuanoes fine and ordinary, he may make a proportionable abatement.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

SATURDAY 22^D.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THE HON^{BLE} NATH^{LL} HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESID^T & GOV^R
W^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOM^S WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

It being our resolution if possible to send home the London Friggat with the Armenian Merch^t and the Joint Stocke merchants being willing to undertake the provideing of Five thousand Pag^s of goods by the latter end of February, on the same terms, and the same sorts wth: the last Contract on the 5th November, upon condition that we will furnish them wth four thousand Pag^s at interest, whereof 2000 to be paid them now, and 2000 more when they demand it.

It is agreed and ordered that a Contract be made with the merchants as aforesaid and that two thousand Pag^s be now Lent them, and two thousand more, when they want it.

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN.
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Seal.

Contract made between the President and Councill of Fort S^t George in behalfe of the R^t Hon^{ble}: Company, and Timapa and Allingall &c^a Joint Stocke Merchants this twenty second day of December 1694 Viz^t.

The said Timapa Allingall &c^a merchants do agree and Contract that they will provide for the R^t Hon^{ble}: Company the following goods to y^e amo^t of five thousand Pag^s Viz^t.

Longcloth Ordinary to y^e amo^t of Pag^s.	1000 :
Salampores ordinary	1000 :
Neckcloths Ordinary	500 :
Bettellas 40 [or] 50 Coveds	500 :
Morees fine	750 :
Ginghams 16 Coveds	625 :
Ginghams 40 Coveds	625 :
Pag^s:	5000 :

The said goods to be sorted by the Fort S^t George musters as usuall, and to be brought in and all Embaled before the end of February next. And y^e President and Councill do agree and contract to pay unto the said Merchants at the end of every month for so much cloth as shall be embaled in the month, halfe ordinary and halfe fine, at the prices of y^e last contract in August 1693, and if the merch^{ts}

shall comply with this contract in the Limited time to pay them Ten ℔ Cent over and above the s^d prices.

భెరి తిమ్మన్న వ్రాలు.
சிவகடாக்ஷம் ஆலங்காத்த.
తాతప్ప వ్రాలు.
அய்யப்பன்.
పాపయ వ్రాలు.
பெரியதம்பி.
தாண்டவசெட்டி.
సూ రాము త్యాలు.
పొంకల రామక్రిష్ణమా.
రంగయ.
காரணப்பன்.
பொற்பாதம்.

Received a generall from the Agent &c^a for Bengall dated the 27^th October past, adviseing that a Grab called Marabue Mahade, belonging to Mahomod Syed bound for this place Laden w^th Rice, Butter, and Oyle but fell in with Nezzapatam *, where the supra Car[go] John De Costa and the Pilot, who disposed of said Grabs Cargo, but have given no acco^t thereof, desireing if they should come to Madrasse to seize, and send y^m to Bengall, to make restitution to the owners. 28.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 31.

Present

THE HON^BLE: NATH^LL: HIGGINSON ESQ^R PRESIDENT & GOV^R
M^R WILLIAM FRASER M^R JOHN STYLEMAN
M^R THOMAS WRIGHT M^R CHARLES BARWELL.

Order'd that ship London Friggat so soon a[s she] shall be unladen be dispatch'd to Fort S^t David, and that the warehousekeeper lade upon her [such] goods and necessaries, as have been formerly [ordered] and fourty Bales Broad Cloth Ordinary red & gr[een] Five bales Perpetuanoes fine, and five Bales Perpetuanoes ordinary, two Bales of Aurora, [one] Bale fine crimson, and Ten Bales cloth Rashes red and green, allso about one Hundred candy [of] Lead which is to be continued aboard to be delivered there. Ship London Friggat to be sent to Fort St. David.

Ordered that the warehousekeeper do lade a[board] ship London Friggat twenty one Ton Redwood (h[er] charterparty proportion) and six hundred Baggs of salt Petre, as the Commander shall call for the same upon unladeing the Lead, which will at present helpe to make her sail worthy, and if she be dispatcht for Europe with the Armenian Merchant will be so much towards her ladeing,

Order'd that Simon Kilpatrick a Souldier having serv'd the R^t Hon^ble: Company his Contracted time is upon his request discharg'd, and Cazmeer de Sosa † one of y^e Gunroome Crew.

The wine Licence for the ensueing year being sold to Lievten^t Francis Seaton on y^e 22^d Instant for Pag^s three hundred commencing the ℔m^o Jan^ry 169$\frac{4}{5}$. Ending the last of December 1695. Order'd that a grant be given him under such orders and Limitations as the last year.

Whereas It was agreed on the 22^d Instant to l[end] the Hon^ble: Comp^s Merchants Pag^s four thousand whereof Pag^s two thousand was then paid them, but they now desire us to lend them one thousand Pag^s more, whereupon they do promise to perform all they have undertaken, It is therefore agreed and ordered that the said one thousand Pag^s more be lent them on their Bond at Interest.

A Court Martiall appointed by order of Consultation [of y^e] 20^th Instant, being held the 24^th & 27^th ‡ Ins^t the following persons were found guiltey of a mutiny aboard Ship Dorothy, and a designe of running away with the Ship Viz^t Thomas Gilman Boatswains mate and William Cooke Seaman, also John Rice

* I.O. copy reads 'Nizagapatam.' † 'Sola' in the I.O. copy. ‡ '25^th' in the I.O. copy.

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guiltey of, and a Cheif actor in y^e^ mutiney, and all sentenc'd to be whip'd aboard three English ships on the 9 January, Thomas Gilman and John Rice with ropes about their necks, who are allso to be whip'd ashoare at [y^e^] Choultry Gate, Sea Gate, and Fort Gate, on the 16th January, Thomas Gilman haveing a rope abo^t^ [his neck, and then all to bee changed for other Seamen as oppertunity offers, which is approved, and the Commander of ship Dorothy desireing 2 others of his men may be changed, who have in theire evidence against Tho^s^ Gilman confessed that they were acquainted by Tho^s^ Gilman with his designe of running away with y^e^ ship, and did not discover it for feare of his threatning theire deaths, It is ordered that 2 souldiers in y^e^ garrison who have served out theire time be exchanged for them, they engageing to serve two yeares.

Upon peruseall of y^e^ R^t^ Hon^ble^ Companies generall letters by y^e^ London Friggott, the following orders and resolves are agreed, y^e^ numbers prefixed being y^e^ respective Paragraphs of y^e^ lett^rs^ to which the said orders refer. Generall Letter dated 3^d^ Jan. 1693-4.

2. In order to y^e^ recovery of y^e^ R^t^ Hon^ble^ Comp^s^ goods seized by y^e^ Dutch att Mallacca from Mr. Blackmore, It is ordered that all y^e^ papers and Lett^rs^ received from Mr. Blackmore relateing thereunto be delivered to Mr. Styleman and Mr. Barwell, who are to report the state of y^e^ case, w^ch^ is to be sent to y^e^ General for concerting y^e^ Method of prosecution.

3. 10: Ordered that y^e^ Secretary collect all y^e^ orders of Consultation, and Lett^rs^ sent to Metchlepatam and Madapollam, since the deserting of those Factories, relateing to money expended for y^e^ charges of repaires, &c^a^.

Ordered that a positive order be sent to Mr. Noden for his imediate comeing hither w^th^ his family from Metchlepatam, and bring w^th^ him an acco^t^ of y^e^ moneyes left in his hands by M^r^ Brough, as he hath been frequently ordered within two yeares past, but hath hitherto avoided comeing probably because much indebted here, and that he be ordered not to expend one fanaham more on repaires or serv^ts^ wages, tho' it's true that he hath frequently given materiall advises, particularly relateing to the Dutch, yett he cannot be continued there for y^t^ purpose.

Haveing by our generall lett^rs^ to y^e^ Generall dated y^e^ 27^th^ March 1694 given him a particular acco^t^ of what method has been taken w^th^ Assid Cawn &c^a^ relateing to y^e^ Phirmaund, to w^ch^ wee have not yet received (thô dayly expect) an answer, It is resolved as formerly to deferr y^e^ further prosecution till wee receive y^e^ said answer. The Lett^r^ received from y^e^ Generall dated y^e^ 12^th^ of June 1694 haveing intimated his intentions to endeavor a Phirmaund for Madrass and Bengall, It is necessary that y^e^ method be concerted to prevent our interfering with y^e^ Surratt proceedings, and unnecessary charges.

Ordered that Mr. Wright doe make a calculation of y^e^ salary and allowances received by Mr. Nickes since his removeall from Conimere, and report the same.

6: 72: 73: In y^e^ prosecution of y^e^ R^t^ Hon^ble^ Comp^s^ orders for buyeing a store of pepper, at or under Pago^ds^ 24 per Candy, It is ordered that 70 Candys imported now by Mr. Langley on y^e^ Dorothy, be bought, and it is recommended to each of the Councill, that if they meet] with an oppertunity of bargaining for Pepper; they do acquaint the President therewith and the better to encourage begining of the Private Trade in Pepper on the Malabar Coast, West Coast and South Seas, that it be publickly known that contracts will be made w^th^ such as will undertake to send ships for the procureing of Pepper, to allow them 24 Pag^s^ ℔ Candy deducting the five ℔ Cent Custome due here for all, and y^e^ halfe peny a pound (if not paid at Bencoolen) for wh[at] comes from the West Coast and the price may be hereafter abated as the Trade will bear it.

11. Ordered that the warehousekeeper produce monthly such an acco^t^ of remains, of goods and stores and of the callicoes received from the Merch^ts^ that the progresse in provision of goods for Europe, and sales of Europe goods may appear, and that wast and spoil by long lying, which has been so often complain'd on by the R^t^ Hon^ble^ Company, may be prevented, and becau[se] 'tis probable the Europe cloth may lye a considerable time in the godowne before it will be all

disposed of, that all the godowns containing any sorts of goods perishable, be emptied and cleared once in two months at least, and the goods aired.

14. It is recommended to the Judge of the Court of Admiralty, and the Mayor and Court of Aldermen, that the direction given by the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company for appointing Commissioners or referrees to examine and report goods or accompts in question, be observed in their respective Courts, as well in cases where they are concern'd, as in others.

16 : 57:71. Resolved that all the weavours in Madrasse and Cuddalore be employed in the weaving & painting any sorts of callicoes and chints, that are propper for the Europe markets, at such rates as they can at [p^{r} sent] afford, dureing the scarsity of grain and cotton, & in such quantities as may give them a full Employ[ment] without restraining them from workeing for y^{e} [Pegue ?] Quedah, Acheen, and Manilha Private trade and thô the prices will now be great, yet when cotton [&] graine shall be cheaper, they may be reduced.

18. The R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company haveing been advised by the Fort S^{t}. George generall Letter ℘ the Dorothy dated 14th October 1692 of the competition between their Investments and the Manilha Trade (which is allso more largley stated to them in our general by the Sampson dated 28 February 169$\frac{3}{4}$), and their Hon^{rs} haveing thereupon Ordered the encouragem^{t} of the Manilha &c^{a} private trade. Resolved that no prohibition be layd upon the private merchants, but that they and the Joint Stocke merchants be left indifferently free in the mannagement of their businesse. But imposeing a Duty upon Bullion imported from Manilla &c^{a}. It is refer'd to be treated when the Spaniards arrive from Manilha, our present apprehensions being, that such an imposition, thô small, may put them upon thoughts of diverting their trade to other places, and whenever that duty is lay'd here, it must be lay'd at Fort S^{t} David allso.

21. Ordered that the Sea Customer do require of all masters or Pursers of ships and vessells Importing a manifest of the contents of their cargo upon Oath, before they are admitted to unlade. But that this Order do not extend to Moors or Indian Casts, till it shall be further considered and resolved which of them may, [or] may not, be excused and that in the meantime the Sea Customer do receive from them a manifest signed by the master or Nocquedah wth a declaration that it is a true acco^{t} and if they shall unlade any goods which are not contained in said manifest, or a Post entry, the said goods shall be confiscated as formerly order'd.

22. The R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company haveing been acquainted in our Letter by the Dorothy wth the Corporations being in Debt for Building of a Town Hall, and haveing Ordered us to encourage and assist them in that, and like publick workes, It is resolved that y^{e} assessem^{t} or rather voluntary contribution of severall casts mentioned in Consultation of the 8th of Oct^{ber} last be leavied, or received by the Mayor & Aldermen towards the discharge of the said debt, and that the Scavengers Duty be forthwith put into their hands for two years ending the first of January 169$\frac{6}{7}$. When it may be further continued or revoked as occasion requires and that M^{r} Foquet who now manages that businesse, deliver to the Corporation the Cattle Carts &c^{a} utensills, the Corporation paying for the same at a price to be agreed between them and the Paymaster, whereby there will arrise three advantages.

1. The streets will be kept much cleaner, w^{ch} have allwais been complained of.

2. The Corporation will receive the benifit by the over plus of the accustomary assessements above the charge, which hitherto has been gain'd by y^{e} scavengers and by a due collection by the rent roll, will amo^{t} to a more considerable sume then one hundred and Fiftey Pag^{s} which has been offered for y^{e} yearly farme.

3. When it is improved to the due value, it may be either continued to the Corporation, added to y^{e} reven^{e} or applyed to the building of a wall round the Blacke Towne, as the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company shall order.

34. The R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company haveing sent out a list of Coast goods to be provided, It is resolved that our next larger Contracts on the Coast, be made

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confor[mable] thereunto. But time being short for y^{e} compleating a Lad[eing] for the Princesse, Armenian Merchant and London Friggot, and cloth scarse, and hard to get, y^{t} besides the goods allready contracted for in the three Factories which by reason of extroardinary impediments, may probabley faile in the quantity, there be fiftey to one hundred bales of callicoes of any sorts proper for Europe bought as oppertunity shall offer, and because it cannot be expected that the goods so bo^{t} up should be agreeable to, or sorted by our standing musters, that the warehousekeep^{r} and sorters do inspect and report the quality thereof, and that thereupon the bargaine be confirmed in Councill and afterwards the goods be sorted and embaled according to their best discretion, and to be entred in the Invoice and Bookes, under one generall head of Madrasse cloth bought without musters.

36. 39. 57. The R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company haveing left to us the care of Bencoolen, and the time of year drawing on for sending thither, It is rosolved that in the begining of February, a vessell or vessells, be dispatched thither wth fitting persons, stocke, Souldiers, and necessaries and that if the dayly expected advices by a country ship do not arrive before the 10th January we do upon that day resolve upon the particulars to be order'd or provided, and in the meantime 'tis recommended to each of the Councill to consider seriously thereof.

40. The R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company haveing order'd upon M^{r} Gladmans complaint, that the ships which have not paid consulage at Gombroon be compel'd to pay the same, and not knowing of any ship that hath gone from hence since M^{r} Gladmans time, y^{t} hath not paid that duty, It is resolved that M^{r} Gladman be desired in a generall Letter by y^{e} next oppertunity to give an acco^{t} of ships and musters* that have given the occasion of his Complaint, wth the particulars of his misbehaviour for the ground of a demand.

41. The R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company haveing order'd y^{e} quick sale of their woolen cloth by the London Friggot, not only the Joint Stocke merchants, but Armenians and others the most considerable merchants in Towne, haveing been treated wth in order to a contract for the whole, which they all refuse to meddle wth because they say the quantity is to large for the market. It therefore follows that it must be sold here and at Fort S^{t} David at such rates as can be got, upon consideration the Warehousekeep^{r} was order'd on the 20th Instant to abate the prices to invite Chapmen, which not haveing a present effect, the reasons thereof are considered, the removeall of the Camp further in land, and the Stoppage of Land Carriage into the Misore, Cannerreen, and Visapore countreys, by the roveing parties of the Moratta and Mogull Armies, and Polligars, and if things should remaine long in the same posture, wee shall not be able to dispose of any considerable quantity. It is therefore resolved to try if any part thereof can be disposed off to the merchants of Metchlepatam, Pettipollee or Durampat, from whence it may be carried and sold at Golcandah, and that this matter be considered on Thursday next, and determined as soone as possible.

47. The R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company haveing forbidden sending home any more Choromandell Indigo, It is considered.

First that their Generall Letter of the 10th April 1693 ordered the provideing a large quantity, in pursuance to w^{ch} Fort S^{t} David has sent us $\overset{ca.}{105}$: $\overset{md.}{16}$: $\overset{lb}{4}$ Candy ordinary and $\overset{ca.}{9}$: $\overset{md.}{1}$: $\overset{lb.}{23}$ Candyes fine.

Secondly the ordinary Indigo has been exposed to sale, but would not sell, there being no present occasion.

Thirdly the ordinary sort is so much better then that which went home by the Dorothy, that thô the R^{t} Hon^{ble} Company lost by that, yet tis proba[ble] they may gain by this, and must gain considerably by the fine.

Fourthly the fine Indigo, and the greatest part of the ordinary are the manufacture of Cuddalore.

* 'Masters' in the I.O. copy.

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Fifthly that it may be wanted to fill up the London Friggot. Upon the whole it is resolved in obedience to their Honrs order, that the ordinary sort be sold [in] India as oppertunity offers, as ordered the 10th Inst. and that the fine be sent home, that not being included wth in the reason of their honrs order, and the further manufacture thereof at Cuddalore be encouraged and improved.

50. The Rt Honble Company haveing sent us no stores, It is ordered that the Storekeeper do on Thursday next produce a list of what is wanting to supply ye garrison that the same may be bought out of ye Europe ships.

53,54. Our main Stocke consisting in Europe cloth which will not vend fast enough to carry on our Investments, It is ordered that Pags Fifteen thousand be taken up at Interest, at nine or ten ℘Cent to serve our present occasion.

60. Ordered that Mr Styleman and Mr Wright do cause a calculate to be made of the monthly rates, at which vessells may be hired according to their Burden, to serve the Company as occasion shall require and to make report thereof wth a computation of the former charge of the Rt Honble Comps own ships.

P.S.—Ordered that the warehousekeeper do report so soone as the London Friggat shall be unladen the contents, number and qualities of Europe goods received by said Ship that two certificates thereof may be returned to the Rt Honble Company according to their Order.

Generall Letter dated 2d February 169¾.

3. The President reporting that he hath delivered to Mr Pitt a letter received wth the Pacquet by the London Friggot from Mr John Davis, directed to the President and Mr John Pitt wth a letter of Attorney and accots and did quit the power of attorney to Mr Pitt, who being now sent for doth own the same and accept the Letter of Attorney single.

And another Letter from Mr Davis made up open the Rt Honble Comps Pacquet, was now read to Mr Pitt wherein Mr Davis Orders the payment of the ne[t] proceed of his Estate into the Rt Honble Comps Cash wth the Rt Honble Comps directions to us thereupon.

Ordered that the Consultation Booke and Bookes of Letters received and sent, be closed this day, and the coppyes sent home by the Princess

NAT: HIGGINSON.
WILL: FRASER.
JO: STYLEMAN
THO: WRIGHT.
CHA: BARWELL.

Noverint universi per presentes nos Johans Styleman Richardi Eliot clerici & Georges Herron, Marinr teneri & firmiter obligari guberna't & societa't mercatorum Londini negotian't ad indos oriental' in mille libris legale moueta ang'l solven'd eisdem guberna't & societa't aut certo suo attorna't vel successoribus suis ad quamquidem solutionem bene & fideliter faciend obligamus nos & singulos nostrum per se per toto & in solido heredes Executores & administratores nostros & singulos nostrum firmiter per presentes sigilis nostris sigilat dat vicessimo secundo die augusti anno Domini 1694 annoqe regni Gulielmi & Mariae Dei gratia Angliae Scotiae Franciae & hiberniae regis & reginae sexto.

Whereas the abovenamed Governour and Company have at the special request and desire of the above bounden Richard Eliot and George Herron on behalfe of the above bound John Styleman, entertain'd into their service him the said John Styleman as their Factor and Covenant servant, to serve them in such Factories and at such places in the East Indies or any other place of trade granted unto the said Company, and comprised within their charter, and for such allowances and salary, and at and under such other conditions, as is or shall be agreed between ye said Governour and Company and the said John Styleman for the term of three years, and for such longer time as he shall continue wth in the limits of the Comps charter, or be employed in their service. The condition of this obligation is such that if the sd John Styleman shall from time

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to time dureing his employment in the Comp service or continuance w[th] in the Limits of their charter, dayly duely and truly set down in writeing (in Bookes to be by him kept for that purpose) a particular acco[t] of all buyings sellings, rec[ts], payments, and all other transactions relateing to his trust in the said employment, and whenever he shall be thereunto required by the said Governour and Comp[a] their Successors Agents or Assigns, make and give unto them, or their assigns true plain and perfect acco[ts] and reckonings in writing of for and concerning all and every such goods merchandise money and things whatsoever w[ch] shall at any time or times hereafter be consigned or sent unto him the said John Styleman by or from the said Governour & Comp[a] their successors Agents or assignes, and of and for all & every the returnes proceed and benefit to be had or gotten for, or in any respect of the said goods money or merchandise or any of them, and of all other things and goods whatsoever for w[ch] he the said John Styleman shall or may be charged or answerable by reason of his aforesaid employm[t] in any mañ[r] or wise, and further if the said John Styleman his Execut[rs] adm[rs] or assigns, shall and do from time to time upon such req[st] to be made as aforesaid deliver up the said Bookes of acco[ts] so kept as aforesaid and well truly and peacabley and quietly yeild deliver up, or cause to be yeilded del[d] up and paid unto y[e] said Gov[r] and Comp[a] their successors or assigns, all and every such goods, wares, money, merchandise and other things whatsoever as by the foot of every such acco[t] or acco[ts] shall appear and be found to be due or belonging to the said Gov[r] and Comp[a] and their successors by [&] from the said John Styleman, w[th]out any fraud or further delay then this obligation to be void and of none effect, or elce to stand in full strength and virtue.

SEALED AND DELIVERED	JOHN STYLEMAN.
IN THE PRESENCE OF	RICHARD ELIOT.
WILLIAM HATSELL	GEORGE HERRON.
THOMAS WIGMORE.	

Noverint universi per presentes nos Johan[s] Styleman de madrasse mercatorem teneri & firmiter obligari guberna't & societa't mercatorum Londini negotian't ad indos Orienta'l in duobus mille libris bonæ & legalis moneta ang'l solvend eisdem Guberna't & societa't aut certo suo attorna't [vel] successoribus suis ad quam quidem solutionem bene & fideliter facien'd obligame heredes, Executores & Administratores meos firmeter per presentes; sigilis meo sigillat dat vicessimo secundo die augusti Anno Domini 1694 annoq: Regni Domini & Domina Wittmi & Mariae Deigratia angliæ scotiœ Franciæ & Hiberniæ Regis & Reginæ fideo defensoris &c. sexto.

The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bounden John Styleman his heirs, execut[rs]: adm[rs]: and assigns, and every of them shall and do well & truely observe, perform, pay, fullfil and keep, all and every the conditions, covenants, payments, articles and agreement mentioned and comprised in one pair of Indentures of Covenant bearing date w[th] these presents, and made between y[e] above named Governour and Company of the one part, and the said John Styleman of the other part, w[ch] on the part and behalfe of him the said John Styleman his heirs Executors admin[rs] and assigns, or any of them are to be observed, performed, paid, fulfilled and kept, according to the true intent and meaning of the said Indentures, then this obligacõn to be void and of none effect, or elce to remain and be in full force and virtue.

JOHN STYLEMAN.

SEALED AND DELIVERED
IN THE PRESENCE OF
WILLIAM HATSELL.
CHARLES BARWELL.

Noverint universi per presentes nos Carolam Barwell, Edvardum Tredcroft & Matheum Mildmay mercatores, teneri & Firmiter obligari guberna't &

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societa't mercatorum Londini negotian't ad indos Orienta'l in mille Libris legales moneta anglia solvend eisdem Gubernat' & societat' aut certo suo attornat' vel successoribus suis ad quam quidem solutionem bene & fideliter faciend' obligamus nos & singulos nostrum per se per toto & in solido Heredes Executores & Administratores, nostros & singulos nostrum firmiter per presentes sigillis nostris sigillat' dat vicessimo secundo die Augusti Anno Domini 1694 annoq' Regni Gulielmi & Mariæ Dei Gratia angliae Scotiæ ffranciae & Hiberniae regis & Reginae Sexto.

Whereas the abovenamed Gov[r] and Comp[a] have at the special request of the above bounden Edward Tredcroft and Matthew Mildmay on the behalfe of the above bounden Charles Barwell, entertained into their service him y[e] said Charles Barwell, as their Factor and covenant serv[t] to serve them in such Factories and at such places in the East Indies, or any other places of trade granted unto y[e] said Company, and comprised within their charter, & for such allowance and salary, and at, and under such other conditions as is or shall be agreed, between the said Governour and Company, and the said Charles Barwell for the term of three years, and for such longer time as he shall continue within the limits of the Comp[a] Charter, or be employed in their service. The condition of this obligation is such that if the said Charles Barwell shall from time to time, during his employment in the Companys service, or continuance within the limits of their charter, dayly, duly and truly set down in writing (in Books to be by him kept for that purpose) a particular acco[t] of all b[uyings,] sellings rec[ts], payments and all other transactions relating [to his] trust in the said employment; and whensoever he sh[all be] thereunto required by the said Governour and Company their successors, agents, or assigns, make and give un[to] them, or their assigns, true plain and perfect accompts and reckonings in writing of, for, and concerning all and every such goods, Merchandises, money and things whatsoever, which shall at any time or times hereafter be consigned or sent unto him the said Charles Barwell by or from the said Governour and Company their successors agents or assigns, and of, and for all and every the returnes, proceed[s] and benefits to be had or gotten for or in respect of the said goods money or merchandises, or any of them, and of all other goods and things whatsoever; for which he the said Charles Barwell shall or may be charged, or answerable, by reason of his aforesaid employment in any manner or wise: and further, if the said Charles Barwell his Executors adm[rs] or assigns, shall and do from time to time, upon such request to be made as aforesaid, deliver up the said Books of acco[ts] so kept as aforesaid and well truly peaceably and quietly yeild, deliver up, or cause to be yeilded, deliver'd up and paid unto the said Gov[r] and Company their successors or assigns, all and every such goods, wares, money, merchandises, and other things whatsoever, as by the foot of every such acco[t] or acco[ts] shall appear and be found to be due, or belonging to the said Gov[r] and Comp[a] and their success[rs] by or from the said Charles Barwell w[th] out any fraud or further delay then this obligation to be void and of none effect or elce to stand in full strength and virtue.

SEALED & DELIVER'D IN Y[E] PRESENCE OF WILLIAM HATSELL. THOMAS WIGMORE.	CHARLES BARWELL. EDWARD TREDCROFT. MATT: MILDMAY.

[Noverint universi per presentes me Carolum Barwell de Madrass mercatorem teneri et firmiter obligari, Gubernat et Societat mercatorum Londini negotiant ad Indos Orientall in duobus mille libris, bona, et legalis monetæ Aangliæ solvend eisdem Gubernat et Societat aut certo suo Attornat vell successoribus suis, ad quam quidem solutionem, bene et fideliter faciend' obligo me Heredes Executores, et Administratores meos firmiter per presentes, segillo meo sigillat, dat vicessimo secundo Augusti Anno Domini 1694 Annoque regni Domini et Dominæ Gulielmi et Mariæ Dei gratia Angliæ, Scotiæ, Franciæ et Hiberniæ Regis et Reginæ Fidei Defensorum &c[a] sexto.]

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The conditi[on] of this obligation is such that if y^{e} above bounden Charl[es Barwell his heirs] execut^{rs} adm^{rs} and assigns, and every of th[em] shall and do w[ell] and truly observe [perform,] pay, fulfill [and keep] all and every the [conditions, covenants, payments,] articles and agreement, mentio[ned and comprised in] one pair of [in]dentures of [covenant] bearing date with these presents and made between y^{e} abovenamed Gov^{r} and Company of the one part and the said Charles Barwell of the other part, which on the part and behalfe of him the said Charles Barwell his heirs Execut^{rs} adm^{rs} & assigns or [any of] them are to be observed performed, paid, fulfilled and kept accordingly to the true intent and meaning [of the said] Indentures, then this obligation to be void and of none effect, or elce to remain and be in full force and virtue.

SEALED AND DELIVERED IN THE PRESENCE OF — CHARLES BARWELL.
WILLIAM FRASER.
WILLIAM HATSELL.

[A list of persons in the service of the R^{t} Hon^{ble} English East India Company in Fort S^{t} George &c^{a} places on y^{e} Coast of Choromandell.

		Arrival in India.	Present Degree.
1	Nath^{ll} Higginson Esq^{r} (married E. W.) ...	March 19, 93–4 ...	1 Council
2	W^{m}: Frazer Judge Advo : & Warehousek^{r} ...	May 31, 95	3 Council
3	Jo Styleman Bookekeep^{r}: (married E. W.) ...		5 Council
4	Thomas Wright Paymaster	June 16, 84	6 Council
5	Char : Barwell Sea Customer (married E. W.) ..		7 Council
6	James Sowden	June 3, 77	Sen^{r}. Merch^{t}.
7	Edmund Mountague		Sen^{r}. Merch^{t}.
8	Thomas Constable	June 16, 84	Merchant
9	Matthew Empson (married E. W.)	July 20, 87	Merchant
10	Edw^{d} Tredcroft Regist^{r} of y^{e} Court and Sorter.	July 22, 87	Merchant
11	John Meverell	July 22, 87	Merchant
12	John Focquett Rentall Generall	Oct^{r}. 15, 87	Merchant
13	Enoch Walsh (married E. W.)	Oct^{r}. 15, 87	Merchant
14	Barkham Deane	Dec^{r}. 23, 91	Factor
15	Stephen Frewen under y^{e} Presid^{t} :	Feb^{y}. 3, 93–4 ...	Factor
16	Joseph Hilliard assistant to y^{e} Storekeep^{r}: (married E. W)	Nov^{r}. 23, 92	Factor
17	Thomas Wigmore Secretary	Nov^{r}. 23, 92	Factor
18	Jo^{n} : Penford Assistant to y^{e} Land Customer...	Nov^{r}. 23, 92 ...	Factor
19	Edw : Thompson Assistant to y^{e} Paymaster ...	Oct^{r}. 1, 92	Factor
20	Matt : Mildmay Ass^{t} to y^{e} Land Customer ...	Oct^{r}. 1, 87	Factor
21	Matt: Mead Attor: Gen^{ll}: & Sorter entertained here	Jan^{y}. 1, 93–4 ...	
22	Trevor Games	June 8, 88	Factor
23	Joseph Chapman	June 8, 88	Factor
24	Thos : Marshall Prov^{ll} : Searcher at y^{e} Sea gate.	Feb^{y}. 3, 93–4 ...	Factor
25	Thos : Lovell Assistant to y^{e} Warehousekeeper.	Feb^{y}. 3, 93–4 ...	Factor
26	Gulston Addison Prov^{ll} : Receiver at y^{e} Sea gate.	Feb^{y}. 3, 93–4 ...	Factor
27	W^{m} : Morrice under Searcher at y^{e} Sea gate ...	Feb^{y}. 3, 93–4 ...	Factor
28	James Harris Assistant to y^{e} Secretary ...	Feb^{y}. 3, 93–4 ...	Factor
29	Joseph Leister at the Sea gate	Nov^{r}. 5, 89	Factor
30	Edward Bagus translator to y^{e} Court &c^{a} ...	Nov^{r}. 5, 89	Factor
31	W^{m} : Vandenanker Ass^{t}. to y^{e} Bookekeeper ...	Nov^{r}. 5, 89	Factor
32	Edmund Bugden under y^{e} Secretary	Nov^{r}. 23, 92	Writer
33	Thomas Harris under y^{e} Secretary	Nov^{r}. 23, 92	Writer
34	Batson Pearson att the Sea gate	Nov^{r}. 23, 92	Writer
35	Nathaniell Walsh	Nov^{r}. 23, 92	Writer
36	Jo^{n} : Bulteel Ass^{t} in the Mint	Oct^{r}. 1, 92	Writer
37	Thomas Walton	Oct^{r}. 1, 92	Writer
38	Richard Denew under y^{e} Secretary	Dec^{r}. 15, 94	Writer

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		Arrival in India.	Present Degree.
39	Thomas Trubshaw	Dec^r. 15, 94	Writer
40	William Lloyd under y^e Secretary	Dec^r. 15, 94	Writer
41	Barwick Sallaway	Dec^r. 15, 94	Writer
42	Richard Elliot } Ministers.	...	
43	George Lewis }		
44	Nathaniell Stone Assaymaster.	...	
45	Edward Buckley } Chirruggeons.		
46	Samuell Browne }	...	
47	Richard Farmer gone to Tonqueen	Sept^r. 20, 84 ...	Merchant
	Fort St. David.		
1	William Hatsell Esq^r. (married E.W.) ...	...	1 Council
2	John Haynes (married E.W.)	..	2 Council
3	Ralph Ingram (married E.W.)	...	3 Council
4	John Butterfield	June 16, 84	4 Council
5	Zouch Troughton (married E.W.)	July 17, 85	5 Council
6	Thomas Jordan	Aug^t 11, 85	6 Council
7	Robert Cranwell	July 22, 87	Merchant
8	John Borlew Secretary	...	Factor
9	Charles Woolnough Prov^ll: Storek^r: ...	Feb^y. 3, 93-94 ...	Factor
10	Charles Bugden under y^e Secretary	Nov^r. 23, 92 ...	Writer
11	Bezaliell Morrice	Feb^y. 3, 93-94.	
12	John Nicholson under y^e Deputy Governor ...	...	Writer
13	Thomas Faucet Chirruggeon	...	
	Vizagapatam Factory.		
1	Simon Holcombe (married Casteez)	May 31, 1685 ...	1 Council
2	Samuell Owen (married Casteez)	July 30, 82	2 Council
3	Thomas Stables	...	3 Council
4	Richard Bridges (married E.W.)	Oct^r. 7, 1692... ...	Factor
5	Joseph Hinmers	Oct^r. 1, 92	Writer

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List of Freemen Inhabitants.

Elihu Yale Esqr his wife in England.
John Bridger married English Woman.
Richard Trenchfield married a Casteez.
John Affleck married a Casteez.
Charles Metcalfe married a Casteez.
William Cawley his wife in England.
John Nickes married an English woman.
Daniell Chardine married a French woman.
Daniell Gyfford married an English woman.
William Proby married an English woman.
George Herron married an English woman.
John Wesondonck married an English woman.
Thomas Bowyear.
Laurence Bridger.
John Coventry married a Casteez.
William Harrison his wife gon for England.
Samuell Glover married an English woman.
James Coventry.
William Ladd married a Casteez.
William Fowl.
Cattilion married an English woman.
Richard Lee.
Edward Dutton.
John Scott.

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Christopher Allen.
George Capell.
George Pittman.
Simon Killpatrick.
Thomas Hollbridge.
Charles Tainler.
James Warbuck.

LIST OF SEAFARING MEN NOT CONSTANT INHABITANTS.

Armiger Gostling married an English woman.
Anthony Pennistone married an English woman.
William Martin married an English woman.
Robert Masfen married an English woman.
Edward Fleetwood married an English woman.
James Perriman.
James Howell.
Henry Lawrence.
Robert Turlington married an English woman.
Samuell Hart married.
Samuell Prinkman.
Augustin Hart.
John Cockcroft married a Musteez.
William Stocke married an English woman.
William Brookes married an English woman.
William Rider married an English woman.
William Legatt married a Casteez.
William Criffin.
Zachariah Stilgoa.
Richard Phripp married an English woman.
John Smith.
Thomas Child.
Thomas Shepheard married a Dutch Musteez.
Thomas Morgan.
John Cotter married an English woman.
John Mitchell married a Musteez.
Richard Lane
Henry Harnet.
Emanuell Morley
John Tyler.
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Examined by us
JAMES EUSTACE
CHA: BUGDEN]

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